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Striker Macari

MANCHESTER United boss Dave Sexton was left something of a headache when he found first-choice strikers Joe Jordan and Jimmy Greenhoff both on the injury list.

But in recent weeks United have discovered a first-class striker in Lou Macari.



At just five feet five inches tall, Macari is hardly the

popular idea of a front runner but he has done so well there have been calls for international reinstatement.

Certainly Macari has found no problems adjusting to his new role and in fact after 17 games this season he had scored seven goals in the League – more than he scored over the whole of last season.

He told **MATCH WEEKLY**:

"I played a striking role for Celtic often enough. I have always felt a professional should be able to play in any position and do a decent job."

Involved

"Jock Stein was Celtic's manager in my time there and he didn't want me hanging around waiting for the ball. He wanted me to get involved as much as possible."

"I have just carried that on with United. I may not have the height, but I can still win the ball in the air if I get my timing right."

Johnson plays it cool

MANY people are getting excited about the prospect of Liverpool striker David Johnson getting a recall to the England side.

But Johnson is not letting it affect his game. "I don't think about it at all" he said. "If it happens I will be absolutely delighted but at present all I'm concerned with is keeping my form and maintaining a regular place in the Liverpool team."

The likeable Merseysider who saw service with Everton and Ipswich before signing for his boyhood idols lists hard work as the reason for his current success. "I've also got a lot to thank my family for. They kept faith with me."

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Cambridge profit

CAMBRIDGE United may be having a tough time of it on the park this season, but off it the little club has proved to be one of the most successful in the League.

They have announced a record operating profit of more than £100,000 over the past financial year and that has been achieved on the lowest average gates ever recorded by a Second Division club.

Last season their average attendances were just below 7,000 and this year the figures have been even worse. For a home game against Wrexham just 4,472 turned up – a figure surpassed even in the Fourth Division that week.

The fact that Cambridge were able to shell out a club record fee of £140,000 for George Reilly is purely due to the efforts the commercial side of the club have made on their lucrative lottery.

Kelly quits

LONG-distance runner Willie Kelly has run his last for Ayr United. The defender featured in *Match Weekly* for his solo training stints has decided to pack in his football career.

Kelly's work with youngsters at a nearby assessment centre for juvenile delinquents was taking up too much of his time. It forced him to miss recent games against Hamilton and Clydebank.

Home for Kelly is an isolated spot in the Scottish hills – 13 miles from the nearest town. He used to take to the hills to maintain peak fitness.



Old stars return

FORMER England superstars Bobby Moore and Jimmy Greaves are coming out of retirement.

But they are not going to try and do a George Best and get back into League football.

In fact they will be teaming up with Best to play for a Norwich XI against England in a testimonial for Billy Steele.

The match will be played at Carrow Road on December 11 and kick-off will be at 7.30 p.m.

If the marvellous attendance for the recent Bobby Robson testimonial just down the road at Ipswich is anything to go by, Billy should be in for a bumper night.

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Miracle man

MORE THAN 4,000 fans turned up to watch Tony Woodcock's first German training session with Cologne – more than the number that go to many Third and Fourth Division matches in this country. The ex-Forest player will obviously be expected to perform miracles!



FOOTBALL is a cut-throat game as Bill Shankly (left) shows Kevin Keegan by giving him a close shave.

But this moment was light relief during a very touching moment for the great Shanks.

He had travelled to London to present the award – Souvenir Press's Sword of Honour 'for distinguished service to British and international soccer' – to Keegan.

But to everyone's surprise

Keegan promptly handed the sword back to Shanks saying: "I'm delighted to have been chosen, but I would like Bill to accept the sword for all the things he has done for me in my career. He made me believe I could play football".

Brought almost to tears, Shankly replied: "This is an unbelievable gesture. It's the greatest present I have ever received."

The Orient connection

THE visit of Orient to Filbert Street next Saturday will conjure up a lot of memories for Leicester skipper Dennis Rofe.

It was Orient manager Jimmy Bloomfield who took Rofe under his wing as a schoolboy. Bloomfield then paid out £112,000 for him in August, 1972, when he was boss of Leicester. And Jimmy stepped in and tried to sign him again for Orient when he heard last March that Rofe had made a transfer request.

But, nevertheless, Rofe has always had a soft spot for Orient. "I was in love with the O's as a 12-year-old schoolboy when I asked if I could go training with them a couple of nights a week," says Rofe.

The Loughton-born left-back first joined Orient in September 1965, signed professional in February, 1968, and made his League debut two months later.

Mr Consistency

MANCHESTER City have had more than their share of comings and goings over the past year, but one homegrown player has been quietly making a name for himself.

Right-back Ray Ranson is having a very successful season and earns this tribute from Tony Book, the man who signed him for City. "Since I signed him as a schoolboy, I have had a lot of confidence in him," says Book. "This season he has been our most consistent player."

The 19-year-old Ranson signed professional in August last year. To date he has won honours for town, county, England schoolboys, Youth and Under-21.

With all those honours already behind him who's to say that he will not fulfil his greatest ambition — to play for the full international team?



IT'S a hat-trick of girls for Ipswich Town central defender Kevin Beattie with the recent arrival of baby Louise — seen here trying one of dad's England caps for size along with sisters Emma (left) and Sarah. To cap it all Beattie is now back in the game after being side-lined by injury and rediscovering the form that won him international recognition.

RANGERS GROUNDED . . .

TOMMY Docherty and his high-flying QPR team visited Cambridge United's ground for the first time on Saturday . . . but they must have been left wishing they had never found the Abbey Stadium.

United played their best football of the season and ran Rangers ragged in an incident packed match that must surely bolster the chronic fan shortage at Cambridge.

Apart from the opening few minutes of the game the

Cambridge defence admirably contained the normally sharp shooting Rangers forwards. In attack they ran themselves silly and created an amazing number of scoring chances.

Even a goal of pure genius from Stan Bowles failed to lift Rangers' game and Cambridge deservedly won the match 2-1 as Tommy Docherty was quick to admit.

"If we had won or even taken a point today it would have been an injustice," said Docherty after the game.

"I don't want to be disrespectful but they didn't really impress me. They worked harder than we did — it's as simple as that. But you need a slap in the face now and again to bring you back down to earth."

"Good luck to Cambridge, but I wouldn't swap their position in the league for ours. Obviously I'm disappointed and the lads are disappointed, but gaining promotion is not a sprint it's a marathon," said Docherty.



The young pretenders! Pictured here with Liverpool manager Bob Paisley are some famous-named youngsters who all want to be professional footballers. Back row (left to right) they are Terry Hansen (9), Robert Kennedy (8), John Kennedy (8), Simon Clemence (14), Steve Johnson (8), Wayne Case (8). Front row — Roger Dalglish (15), Alan Thompson (13), Bob Paisley (over-21!), Robert Neal (14), Ian McDermott (13) and Tony Souness (14). That would be some frightening line-up for the opposition if the lads got together as a schoolboy team.

'Misfit' on the move?

GARY Collier cost Coventry City £350,000 when he signed from Bristol City last summer but he has only played two games for the Sky Blues since checking in at Highfield Road.

Collier has had to be content with reserve team soccer because he cannot break into the first team.

He started the campaign in the side at Stoke City and his only other appearance was in the match at Liverpool. This means that Coventry City first team followers have yet to see the former Bristol City player.

Collier admits: "Obviously I am more than a little concerned at recent events and now I'm beginning to wonder whether or not I was worth the big fee paid out for me by Coventry City."

"I must admit that I've found the change of tactics at Coventry a little strange from my normal playing style at Bristol City."

"Gordon Milne, the Coventry

City manager, prefers a man for man marking system whereas I operated a more conventional style of play with Bristol."

At this juncture it appears that Collier might well have to move on again to recapture his form which persuaded Coventry City to pay the huge fee for his services.



Gary Collier, Coventry City's forgotten defender.

Saturday snippets

COVENTRY's Mick Ferguson became the first player to score four in a First Division match (against Ipswich) since Joe Royle did it for Bristol City against Middlesbrough on Nov 26 1977 — almost exactly two years ago.

PORTSMOUTH's 3-1 win over Halifax took their goals-for tally to 53 in 21 games and they are now all set for the League's first ton since QPR scored 103 in season 1966/67.

FOURTEEN First Division players have now been sent off following the dismissals of Norwich's Justin Fashanu and Villa's Dennis Mortimer. That's as many as were given marching orders up to April 7 last term.

MANCHESTER City's Roger Palmer and West Brom's Cyrille Regis took the number of league goals scored by coloured players to 28 this season — eight in Division One, 11 in Division Two, five in Division Three and four in Division Four.

GOOD results improved the chances of Chelsea's Geoff Hurst, Portsmouth's Frank Burrows, Doncaster's Billy Bremner and Walsall's Alan Buckley to achieve promotion in their first season's as managers of their respective clubs.

TREVOR Lee of Colchester (v Millwall) became the 30th player this season to score against his old team mates.

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Prophett motive

IF TONY Waddington is to be the Messiah of Crewe, then it should have been no surprise when he signed a prophet to help spread his gospel.

In this case it was Colin Prophett, the 32-year-old much-travelled defender who has been drafted in to try and lift Crewe from the bottom of the Fourth Division.

And Prophett is tackling his new job with the enthusiasm of a three-year-old, admitting "After last week's 3-0 F.A. Cup defeat by Altrincham, there's only one way we can go - and that's up. Everyone at the club knows it and we are sure if we can get out of the bottom four or five in the League this season then we can go places next year."

For Prophett the chance to wear Crewe's colours was both unexpected and timely. He'd

lost his place at Chesterfield and didn't believe he figured in manager Arthur Cox's plans any longer.

He turned down a move to Torquay United but had little hesitation in agreeing to join Crewe - and returning to the club where he had started as a teenager.

Revealed Prophett: "I was born in Crewe and lived there until I was 21. I worked at Rolls Royce and played as an amateur for Crewe until I signed professional for Sheffield Wednesday.

"Ernie Tagg, who was manager at Gresty Road at the time, didn't offer me terms, otherwise I'm sure I'd have signed for Crewe.

"The new boss, Tony Waddington, is an old personal friend of the family and his son Tony is a very good friend. We were brought up together in Crewe.

"Tony senior and my dad George used to play cricket together just along the road from the football ground so it didn't take me long to decide to go back to Crewe.

"My wife also comes from there and most of our family still live in the town so it was just like going home for me. I was also pleased that Tony actually wanted to sign me.

Prophett took with him to the Cheshire club a mountain of experience deriving from more than 300 League appearances with Sheffield Wednesday, Norwich City, Swindon Town and Chesterfield and his arrival coincided with Crewe's second win of the season.

Two days after signing for them he helped Alex to a 2-1 win over Rochdale that ended a dismal run of four successive defeats.

With manager Waddington



also splashing out on a new forward partnership of Mike Guy and Colin Chesters - signed from Sheffield United and Derby County respectively - and taking goalkeeper Dave Felgate on loan from Bolton Wanderers the new-look Crewe side began to turn the corner.

He is still training at Chesterfield's Recreation Ground but currently has his house in the town on the market and hopes to return to his birthplace as soon as possible.

"I don't think it affects my performance training away from the other lads and if I did I'd move into digs or something in Crewe.

"I'm sure it's a good move for me and I'm hoping it will be my last, although in soccer anything can happen. I did think that when I went to Chesterfield I'd be seeing out my playing days there but it didn't work out like that.

"I think I've still got three or four seasons left in me and I'd like to think they will be spent at Gresty Road..."

Hails trains Watford

AFTER nearly nine months in the football wilderness, former Peterborough United manager Billy Hails has returned as trainer/physiotherapist at Second Division Watford.

Since resigning from the Posh hot seat on February 5 this year after only 78 days in charge, Hails has been out of work.

With a family and children to support he kept himself busy with scouting duties on a friendly basis for several League clubs.

Hails' new appointment as Graham Taylor's right-hand man is a welcome return to the soccer world.

"The job was advertised, I wanted it and after about a fortnight I found I had got it.

"I liked the look of Watford and knew the rough set-up from my time at Peterborough - and with their recent record going straight from the Fourth Division to the Second in successive seasons, it was easy to see they were a club geared for further success.

After his varied playing career ended, Hails returned to Peterborough in 1967, doing a range of jobs for the club, including physiotherapy and coaching.

On November 20, 1978, following the departure of John Barnwell, Hails was named as manager by Posh chairman Geoffrey Woodcock - and just 78 days later he resigned under the pressure of bad results and having no money to spend on improving the situation.



Colin Prophett... back to the club where he started as a teenager.

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THE WEATHER influenced everyone's plans once again when England's match against Bulgaria was postponed for 24 hours because of fog, which unbelievably had lifted less than half an hour after the proposed kick-off time.

The immediate consequences were such that Kevin Keegan had to return home to Hamburg and Kevin Reeves was drafted in to earn his first cap. All worked out well in the end with England gaining a 2-0 victory and many encouraging conclusions were drawn by the nation's press, who are just coming round to the idea that England may do well in Rome next June.

We are going really well now and the confidence is sky high. I think that at the moment any First Division player could slot into the side - we are going that well.

Having the game postponed for 24 hours was one of the strangest feelings I have had in international football as everything is geared towards the scheduled kick-off time and when you are told at 7.15 that you will have to come back the next day and start again then somehow you feel very much cheated and frustrated. I am relating my feelings as substitute so I am sure that it was even worse for the players,

Going great guns!

And here's how we gear up for England's big matches

especially the two new boys, Glenn Hoddle and Kevin Reeves.

The England preparation routine is more or less settled and I can tell you our timetable now, knowing that for the next match at Wembley in February it will be more or less the same.

We join up at our hotel in North London on Sunday afternoon and are all together for a meal at about 7 p.m. which inevitably turns into an inquest of the previous day's games.

Then we are free to do as we please and this is where Ron Greenwood scores a big plus with all of his players. He treats them as professionals. We never have to be in bed at a certain time, as some managers demand, and because of this trust the players do not abuse their freedom.

On Monday and Tuesday mornings we will train and again the rest of the day we have to ourselves. But there is always something happening to occupy our time.

We went to the Wembley arena to watch some of the preparations for the Year of the Child concert which took place on Thursday. We find that there is great affinity between most showbiz people and sportsmen and often they are just as interested in our world as we are fascinated by theirs.

On Wednesday morning we have a short training session which is designed as a loosener and a reminder for the players as to their positions in attacking and defensive free kicks and corners. Wednesday afternoon is spent sleeping if nerves will allow and of course this time, by 5 o'clock we woke

England's central defender Dave Watson peering through the gloom at fog-shrouded Wembley. But he had no trouble seeing the night after when he scored England's first goal against Bulgaria. Worth waiting for, Dave!



to find a blanket of fog had descended.

At 7.15 the game was called off and the Wednesday routine was repeated on Thursday, only this time the game was played. One good thing about the 24-hour delay was that I was able to see the end of the concert.

It has been said by some managers, however, that playing an international on a Thursday is too close to the Saturday League game. Bob Paisley was quoted as saying that Liverpool's performance the Saturday after England's game was the worst they had played all season and I don't think it's any small coincidence.

Friday morning saw me driving back up the M1 to Manchester arriving early afternoon to have a light training session. Saturday rounded off a good week when we beat Norwich 5-0, avenging our League Cup defeat at Carrow Road. We have been threatening to score a hatful for a while now and in the past couple of weeks our results have not really reflected our superiority in some games.

Against Norwich we got the breaks in the box. We got goals from balls that the week before would have broken to defenders instead. We have



Liverpool's Graham Souness is a pretty fair hand at squash too - he was the only player to score a victory over the women in a Ray Clemence testimonial event. And me? Well, I didn't do so well...

done a lot better at home this season generally. Because of injuries we have scrambled around up front a bit this season and not been so effective as we could have been, but now things are looking up.

Just to close, I'll swallow my pride and tell you about Sunday when Gary Bailey and myself took part in a Ray Clemence testimonial squash match against a team of professional women players.

I am a chauvinist pig as most men and thought that football fitness would ensure a victory, but I was proved wrong. I played against Jane Ashton, who is one of the top lady players, and was thrashed 9-2, 9-0, 9-1 and to be honest she gave me the three points I won to make it look respectable. My only consolation was that Gary did a little better.

I have come to the conclusion that squash fitness is a completely different type of fitness to football as I woke up the next morning with aches in muscles I never knew I had!

Steve Coppel



Frustrated England fans invade Wembley's main entrance in a vain attempt to get their money back after the match was called off on the Wednesday. A lot more people wouldn't have made the effort to get to Wembley a second time if money had been refunded, but as it was the attendance was marvellous. But you have to feel sorry for those fans who genuinely couldn't make it on the Thursday and lost out altogether.

We've turned the corner

says Albion's Brendon Batson

LAST season the 'Throstles' were singing happily from the top of the tree, as West Bromwich Albion were swept away on a wave of euphoria. It seemed they could do little wrong as their blend of skill and power made them one of the most entertaining and feared sides in the First Division.

They finished third in the League table and became the natural choice as the favourites to break the Liverpool, Nottingham Forest stranglehold on the First Division.

These hopes and dreams were not fulfilled however as Albion ravaged by team changes, injury and backroom moves slumped to the bottom. "We must be the best side ever to be at the bottom," was manager Ron Atkinson's typical battle cry, yet even he must

have been amazed at the transformation.

It is uncanny when good players suddenly perform as if they can't play and the more they try the worse they become. From the terraces it sometimes looks as if they are not trying. But this is an entirely false impression, as Albion's talented right-back Brendon Batson discloses, in this frank interview, in which he explains the problems the players have to overcome.

Says Brendon; "Last year we just went out and played without thinking about it, yet we were performing consistently at such a high level.

"Every week the whole team played well. If one or two of us were slightly off form the others brought us through and after 20 minutes or so we would all be back to peak performances.

Silly

"This season a lot of us have had a bad time. The changes both on and off the field obviously disrupted us but we did not expect such a disastrous start. I have not been playing well myself. I have had some good games but I have not been consistent, we have been getting keyed up and the pressure was getting through.

"The pressure affects you in silly ways. You assume you are doing things that you are not. Like you think you are sprinting for a ball, but you are not. You think you are going to tackle and don't.

"It is because you are tight, you cannot relax. The ball will bounce away when you should kill it, little things like that. The more we tried the worse we got. We just kept thinking we must turn the corner sometime. But when you don't you are under a bit more pressure again.

"It is not so bad during the week in training because it is more relaxed. Last season the thought of defeat never crossed our minds. Now we are more



Brendon Batson . . . "The pressure has been getting through a little."

tense, worrying whether we are going to give away silly goals.

"A lot of it is to do with concentration. Last season we were not getting punished for the things we were lax on, this year we have been made to pay for every little error.

"It is amazing. Up front we were not capitalising on our chances. We could see what we were not doing, but we could not put our finger on why we were not doing it when we got out there.

"People were not running off the ball as freely as they used to, it became quite depressing. But in the last few weeks we seem to be getting it right again and, although we have had such a bad start, I think we can still win something this season."

Brendon's optimism is shared by manager Ron Atkinson, who declared: "I expect to see us in a more realistic position by the end of January."



Brendon's frown tells its own story . . . it's a sign of Albion's tension this season.

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GOLDEN GOALS



Phil Boyer (above and right): His goals prove invaluable as the Saints go marching on.



PHIL BOYER
(Southampton) v
Nottingham Forest
The Dell, Saturday
November 10, 1979.
Result: Southampton 4,
Nottingham Forest 1.

ANY OF Southampton's goals against Nottingham Forest could have qualified for MATCH WEEKLY'S Golden Goal feature—so rare is it that Forest concede four!

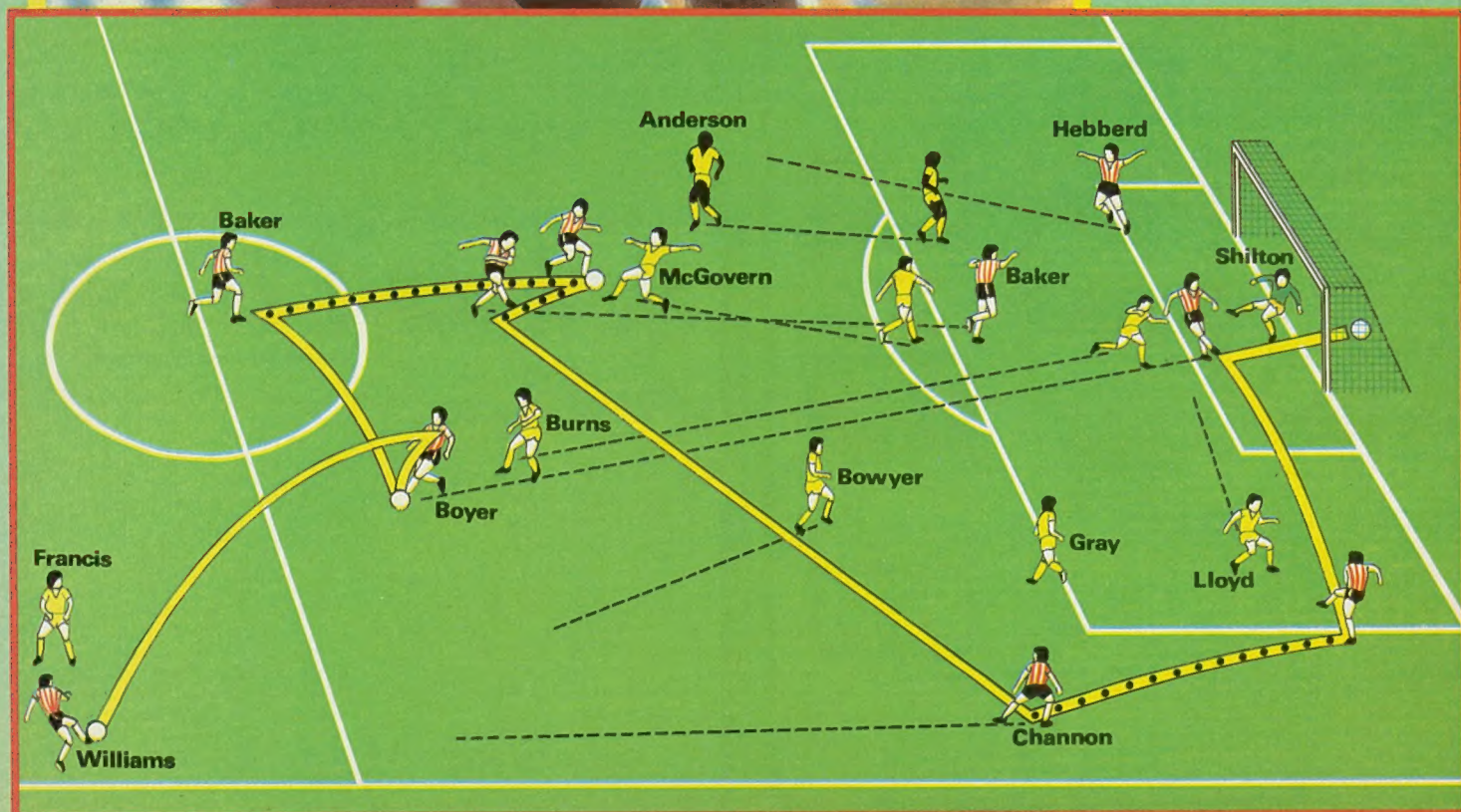
But Phil Boyer's superlative effort which destroyed Brian Clough's men was a golden goal in every respect.

A superb ball from Steve Williams deep in his own half was instantly controlled and laid off to Graham Baker by Boyer himself. Baker found Channon with another ranging pass while Boyer scampered towards goal. When Channon drove his cross in Boyer was perfectly placed to run it home.

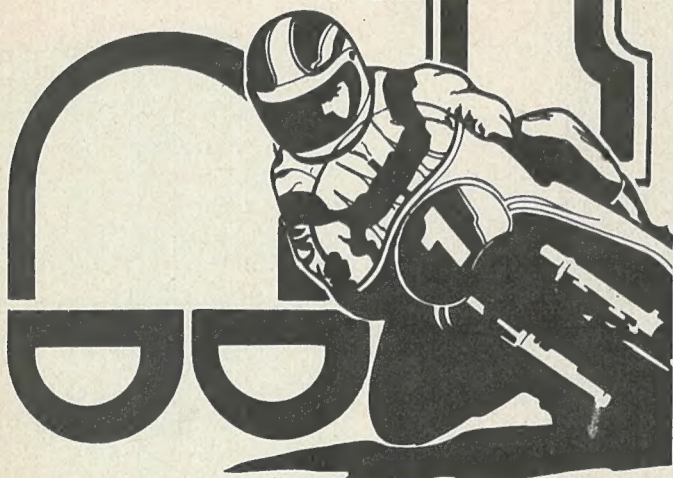
"I enjoy every goal" Boyer said, "But this was a particularly good one. In fact it was probably the best team goal I've been involved with."

"We are always looking to get width in our attack and we certainly did it this time with Graham's fine ball to Mick Channon."

It was Boyer's second goal of the game, his 15th of the season and it took him to the top of the League goal-scoring charts.



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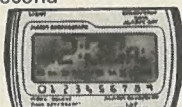


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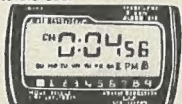
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MILLWALL MAGIC

CRYSTAL PALACE are magic . . . just ask the Millwall fans. As Palace stride out confidently near the head of the First Division, South London neighbours Millwall are making their bid for success — with that old Palace magic very much part of their set-up.

The Palace road to success is a key part of planning at The Den these days. And there is every sign that George Petchey's Millwall, for so long the poor relations of London football, are heading the same way.

Millwall's side includes several members of past Palace teams and coaching staff. Manager Petchey and coach Terry Long are both old Palace servants, as was youth team coach David Payne before he left to join the police.

First-team players John Jackson, Mel Blyth and Nick Chatterton are ex-Palace — and all three are playing major roles in Millwall's bid for promotion from the Third Division.

But it is in one other special way that Millwall resemble Palace. Petchey's club has put its faith in a youth policy and the quality of the youngsters at The Den these days is beginning to compare with the rich crop of great kids Palace have reared to success in the last few years.

The similarities don't end there. Palace won the F.A. Youth Cup while their kids were learning the game . . . and Millwall achieved a major achievement for a small club when their youngsters carried off the same trophy last season, beating on the way, First Division sides such as Manchester City and Everton.

Millwall midfield man Nick Chatterton, who arrived from Palace in a £70,000 deal last season, is the new skipper. And he forecasts: "These kids can become as good as those at Crystal Palace. That is a great tribute to them but they deserve it. Palace produced a wealth of talent through their youth ranks — and there was

plenty of it. Perhaps we do not have quite the same depth but the youngsters we do have are of very high quality. In that respect, they compare with the Palace kids of a few years ago."

Chatterton tips several Millwall kids to become major stars. "We have fielded a few in our first-team this season, such as Dave Mehmet, Paul Roberts, Kevin O'Callaghan and Phil Coleman. But there are others like Tony Kinsella, Chris Dibble and Dean Horrix. That makes seven and you've got three-quarters of a team, very nearly," he says.



"The future of the club must rest upon their shoulders. They can go on and become as good as the youngsters who have made the grade at Crystal Palace. I think they will do just as well. They are certainly going to be Millwall's future because I'm sure small clubs like ourselves just cannot afford huge transfer fees.

Chatterton, however, sounds a cautious note to the Millwall fans. "You must be patient," he says. "With kids coming into the side there are bound to be mistakes. That's the only way youngsters learn so there will be setbacks and disappointments, until they gain experience.

"I think Kinsella will be a fine midfield player. Like O'Callaghan, he has played for Eire Youth and like Kevin, he can be a fine footballer of the future."

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JAMES BAKER, of Leyburn, North Yorkshire, asks:

Who is the shortest player in the Football League? My friend says it's Stan Cummins of Sunderland but I think it's Brian Flynn?

● According to latest returns the shortest player currently with any Football League club is Steve Spriggs, at 5ft 2in. When he first signed professionally, for Huddersfield Town, at 17 he was exactly 5ft.

ERIC DONALD, of Wallsend, Tyne and Wear, asks:

Who was the first Englishman to score a hat-trick in a full international?

● The first Englishmen to score

hat-tricks for England in a full international match were H. Vaughton (five goals) and A. Brown (four) in England's 13-0 defeat of Ireland at Belfast on February 18, 1882.

IAN MOODY, of Wakefield, West Yorks, asks:

Which past and present players have been transferred the most times?

● The all-time record for the most Football League clubs anyone ever played with in peace time was set up by Charles Leslie Roberts, a Redditch-born inside forward, who played with 15 between the two world wars.

Five Star football

WHAT have Mower's Mob, Bromley and Sunderland all in common? I can tell you they all won five-a-side competitions at Wembley last week. I was there on each occasion, absorbed over ten hours of non-stop football action and really enjoyed it.

Mower's Mob, captained by television tough-guy Patrick Mower, won the Sun/Goldigger top group five-a-side cup, beating Gonzales in the final. It made it a weekend of triumph for Chelsea's Ian Britton (each celebrity team could include one pro) who scored in each round, having scored the day before for Chelsea in their valuable 3-2 win at Notts County.

Other pro's to entertain the crowd in the name of charity or what should have been a Sunday afternoon off were Stanley Bowles, Ron Atkinson, Bobby Moore, John Burridge and George Best, who scored a couple of magical goals and followed that on Saturday by masterminding Hibernian's first win for 14 weeks.

The Daily Express five-a-side competition was only fractionally more serious, because those celebrities don't take their football lightly.

Sunderland played the best football throughout, didn't concede a goal and deservedly won the cup beating a determined Brighton team in the final. It's noticeable how Brighton's fortunes have suddenly perked up since Mark Lawrenson's return to the side after injury.

Sunderland's week in London didn't end happily though as, once again, they failed to pick up an away point at Orient. I've seen them away a couple of times this season and they play entertaining and attractive football, just as they did to win the five-a-side.

Up to now though it's not bringing them the away points

BBC Television's JIMMY HILL writes

for YOU

they need to keep in the promotion race. Like Coventry, they might have to adjust their style fractionally and make themselves more difficult to beat away from Roker Park.

Last of the Wembley five's, but not least, was the Berger Isthmian League competition for the Prince Phillip Cup in aid of the National Playing Fields Association. Bromley won it in the end beating Wycombe Wanderers, whom I had made favourites, in a most exciting final in extra time.

Although Wembley wasn't full on this occasion, the atmosphere was tremendous and the crowd enjoyed a memorable evening.

At the end of the week I was left in no doubt as to the attraction of an evening of five-a-side football. I don't know whether it would work on a regular league basis. They are trying it in America during the their close season, so we will get an indication as to its popularity from the other side of the Atlantic.

It was back to the elevens on Saturday and the tense struggle between Nottingham Forest and Arsenal. I was at the game, but didn't bump into Brian Clough. Brian has hinted that he might be prepared to come on Match of the Day next Saturday after Forest play Palace. I only hope we are back to normal by then and can offer him a studio otherwise the confrontation will have to be postponed again.

Although, like everyone, I was aware that Forest had lost three league matches in a row I had not expected them to be quite so nervous. Arsenal's early goal obviously made matters worse, and that, plus a very bumpy pitch made it nightmarish for them. Arsenal are not the sort of team to give or expect sympathy and



Mark Lawrenson of Brighton — it's noticeable how his team's fortunes have improved since his return.

working like trojans they shackled Forest almost completely in the first half.

I wish some Forest fans had shown a little more understanding of the problem and patience with one or two of their own players for whom the ball didn't run kindly.

Arsenal looked as if they were

determined to show that when Liam Brady goes the club will not fall apart. The two young Steve's, Walford and Gattin, played their part to the full in a fine all-round performance.

It took every scrap of grit and determination that Forest could muster to claw back a point and avoid an unbelievable string of four league defeats in a row.

"YOU CAN describe the signing of Frank Worthington as a short term gamble," says Birmingham City boss, Jim Smith, who had to convince his board of directors that the former England striker is the man to score the goals to give the Midland club promotion.

Smith added: "Frank was the First Division's leading goalscorer last season so I regard him as a good buy.

"If he can show some of that form at St. Andrew's I will be more than pleased. At the age of 31 he must be a short term gamble, but we want to get back into the First Division as quickly as possible and he is the type of player who can take us there in double quick time."

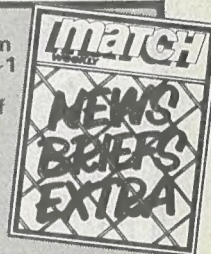
Worthington himself is very happy with the move. He said: "I am sure that I can still score the goals that Birmingham want from me this season.

"Personally, I feel that joining Birmingham City will give me a new lease of life."



Alex Cropley — a doubt about his future at Villa.

ALAN Bloor's departure from Port Vale after the team's 5-1 defeat at the hands of York means that since the start of last season there have been 46 Football League club managerial changes — half the number of clubs in the League!



THE arrival of several new players at Villa Park over the past few weeks has put something of a question mark against the name of Scottish international Alex Cropley.

Aston Villa's little mid-field player is rapidly regaining his match fitness following two bad injuries which at one time threatened to ruin his career.

Cropley, signed by Aston Villa manager Ron Saunders from Arsenal, said: "I believe I still have something to offer in the First Division.

"Whether it is with Aston Villa I do not know. But one thing is certain I do not intend to go without a fight for my place."

EUROPEAN FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 2
ENGLAND 0
WATSON HODDLE
BULGARIA

Kevin Reeves of Norwich and Glenn Hoddle of Spurs – born within seven days of each other 22 years ago – made their England debuts in the same match against Bulgaria two weeks ago. Here's how they coped with the excitement of the big time.



HOW MANY other players have fog to thank for their international debuts? That was the fortunate position I was in when the 24-hour postponement of the England game forced Kevin Keegan to return to Hamburg and put me in his famous number seven shirt.

It was at a team meeting at 10am on Thursday that I learned I was playing. At first Ron Greenwood made it sound as though Stevie Coppell would play but then he turned round and said: "I'm sure you'd all like to congratulate Kevin Reeves, who will make his debut for us tonight."

As you can imagine my heart was really thumping at that stage. . . I could not believe what was happening. For the next hour I was still in a state of shock but the other players were great. They kept coming up to me to shake my hand and wish me well.

After the talk we went to change for training. It was just a

Reeves . . . the news of his call-up took a while to sink in.

REEVES

normal session and I wasn't told to play in a specific role or anything like that.

Then we went back to the hotel for a meal, a rest and to prepare ourselves for the big game.

We made our way to Wembley and arrived with about an hour and a quarter to kick-off. The only time I had been to Wembley before was for a Universities game when I was 10 so you can imagine it was a bit of an eye-opener for me. Funnily enough although I was very nervous I wasn't as bad as I thought I'd be.

There were already a lot of people in the stadium and the expectancy in the air was tremendous.

Surprisingly the mood in the

dressing room was quite relaxed. Apart from myself and Glenn Hoddle all the other lads had played before so it wasn't a new experience for them.

Ron Greenwood did not have much to say – he just had a quiet word with me, told me to relax and to play my normal game. The plan was for me to play on the right side of attack, Tony Woodcock on the left and Trevor Francis in the middle. But this wasn't a rigid plan and we were given freedom to roam around.

The feeling as we stepped out on to the pitch was fantastic. We walked up the tunnel and the crowd were singing 'Abide with me' but as we got to the end of the tunnel they

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New caps for old! Reeves (left) and Hoddle after their first match-day work-out for England.

burst out into one gigantic roar.

When we stood to sing the national anthem my knees were really shaking. I just couldn't wait to get going then.

It took me a long while to settle and I don't think I really did myself justice in the first half. I didn't express myself enough. I decided in the second half I would try and get my game together a bit more and I was pleased how it turned out.

Considering it was my first game I was generally happy how it went but I would look to play a lot better if I get another chance. Once

you've got a taste of the atmosphere you can't wait to go out there again. It's a different world.

Ron Greenwood did not say a lot to us after the game apart from "Well done, lads". I think that's his way, he doesn't like to praise players too much.

I had a couple of interviews to do when I was changed and then it was back to the hotel for a drink with my wife and brother. It was a nice way to end such a memorable day. **J**



"I did it!" Hoddle collects the congratulations of his team-mates after scoring against Bulgaria.

HODDLE



GLENN HODDLE, one-time Tottenham butterfly boy who crystalised his talents and growing maturity into a superb England debut, refuses to get carried away by the performance, virtually certain to take him to Italy next summer, as a vital cog in Ron Greenwood's smooth European Championship machine.

At 22, Hoddle is already drawing comparisons with Bobby Charlton. Liverpool manager Bob Paisley says that is daft and the Tottenham golden boy readily agrees.

Before joining the rest of the Hoddle family after his debut, he said: "If anyone will bring me back down to earth then they will. I've

still got to be better. No-one is more aware of that than me and it's a bit of a joke to start saying I'm a superstar.

"Only when I get a chance against better sides than Bulgaria should anyone pass judgement. Of course, I was delighted with myself against the Bulgarians, but I've got a long way to go. No-one in their right mind should get carried away with the idea that I'm going to become an England regular overnight.

"We should have banged in three or four goals in the opening spell and that would have killed it as a game. But I'm delighted I took the chance to make absolutely sure we won.

"When the ball came to me from Trevor Francis, my first instinct was to blast it, but a defender was closing me down so I measured the shot with the inside of my right foot and it went in like a diamond.

"That let me off the hook because I'd missed an easier goal a few minutes earlier.

"I wasn't sure what people meant by the 'England spirit' until I met the lads. Now I know. Throughout the game, they kept encouraging me and everything came naturally - just like at Spurs.

"I was more nervous before the game than I was on Wednesday when the fog ruined it for

Hoddle's shot scorchers past the Bulgarian defence.

everybody. I went round Wembley for the first time in my life on Tuesday afternoon to get the atmosphere and even with it completely empty I now appreciate what people mean when they say it's a Mecca for football.

"But the butterflies all disappeared when I ran out and spotted my mum, dad and family in the seats. It was odd seeing them all there in such a large crowd. It calmed me down. A good omen perhaps? After that, it was just another 90 minutes - but a crucial one for me none the less."

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(a) GORDON BANKS (30) (Port Vale coach,
ex-Leicester, Stoke, England); (b) PETER
DANIEL (12) (Wolves, England Under-23,
ex-Hull); (c) FRANK PRINCE (1) (Bristol
Rovers); (d) BILLY BREMNER (9)
(Doncaster manager, ex-Leeds, Hull,
Scotland); (e) GLENN ROEDER (13)
(Q.P.R., England 'B', ex-Orient); (f) STEVE
KEMBER (8) (Crystal Palace, ex-Chelsea,
Leicester, England Under-23); (g) KEVIN
MABBUTT (5) (Bristol City, ex-England
schools); (h) JOHN BARNWELL (24)
(Wolves manager, ex-Arsenal, Nottingham
Forest, Sheffield United, England
Under-23, Hereford asst-manager,
Peterborough boss); (i) GEOFF HURST (8)
(Chelsea manager, ex-West Ham, Stoke,
West Brom, England); (j) TONY
WOODCOCK (6) (FC Cologne, ex-
Nottingham Forest, England); (k) DAVID
MILLS (6) (West Brom, ex-Middlesbrough,
England Under-23).



DENNIS TUEART

Cosmos

FORMER England and Manchester City star Dennis Tueart has turned his back on English soccer.

Tueart, now with New York Cosmos in the North American League, has a year to go on his three-year contract with Cosmos and is about to sign for another two years.

"I won't play again in England," said Tueart, who is holidaying in England after a recent world tour.

"I've always felt that once I got to the age of 32/33, I would call it a day. I am enjoying my soccer over there and don't plan to return to England again."

On the money he earns across the Atlantic, Tueart says with tongue in cheek: "I'm not very rich at all. You could say the Onassis family and Jackie Kennedy are rich people. Let's say I'm just comfortable."

Tueart also blasted a warning to English clubs on spiralling transfer fees: "It's crazy. English clubs aren't exactly overflowing and the million pounds plus being paid out at the moment is the English equivalent to the United States of America."

"Germany has just bought World Cup stars Ruggenberg and Neeskens. They've cost nowhere near the sort of fees being paid out in England — and they are better players with proven ability."

match action

For the championship of the First Division, Tueart says Liverpool have the strength, back-up and the know-how to win the League this year. As for the current League leaders Manchester United, who once tried to sign him, Tueart says: "Injuries could affect their chances. Ian Jordan is back now from injury and he's an essential part of their defence. He's got the experience in the position, which I haven't and don't particularly relish. With the heavy pressure coming on Liverpool, United have a lightweight forward line which includes Steve Coppell and Lou Macari. But for my money, I think Liverpool's going to win."



Down the drain



WILL THERE be a drain of talent from English football to the Continent following the departure of Tony Woodcock to Cologne?

It's a question I've been asked on several occasions since Woodcock left Nottingham Forest for the experience and Deutschmarks of West Germany. And although I would hate to see players queuing up to get out of the country, I think there is a possibility that we might lose more of our best players to the top European clubs. And I'm not sure what we can do about it!

Tony Woodcock being challenged by Bolton's Sam Allardyce . . . I can't see Tony improving himself in Cologne.

Take the case involving Woodcock. I was desperate to keep him at Forest and offered what I thought to be an excellent contract but at the end of the day he still decided that he wanted to try his luck in Germany.

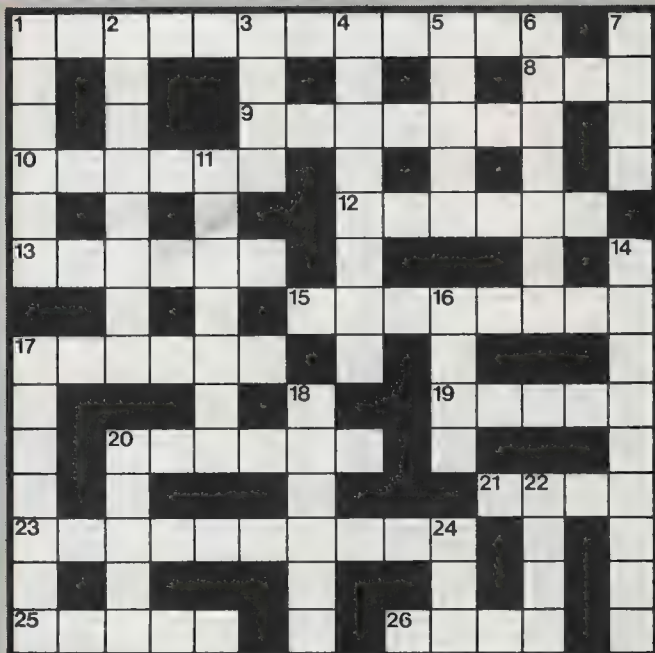
I'm not blaming him for that, or for trying to improve himself financially but, trying to look at the situation from an unbiased point of view, I can't see where he can improve himself in a pure footballing sense.

All right, so he's going to have the experience of playing in the Bundesliga but to my mind the English First Division is still the best in the world. It provides a yardstick to anyone's talents.

But as much as I wanted to keep Woodcock at Forest and in England, I had my hands tied

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ACROSS

1. Kate Sadtherm has to change sex to play for W.B.A. (5,7 anagram)
8. Hartford who plays for 11 down.
9. Famous **MATCH** columnist.
10. Man between the sticks at Old Trafford.
12. One-time England manager.
13. It's Ben who changes into Hull City strip. (anagram)

15. Park that's home for 11 down.
17. Roker midfielder man.
19. Addison's Rams.
20. Is Ned due to turn into a Scottish club? (anagram)
21. See 22 down.
23. Odd name for an Arsenal player this!
25. Those railwaymen from Gresty Road.
26. Brighton's Eire man.

DOWN

1. Stoke City boss.
2. Big Mal's £750,000 signing.
3. Halifax home.
4. Cloughie has changed Ron Deans into a Forest favourite — but can you? (anagram)
5. The original Old(ham) Vic?
6. The team that best — the playing conditions often wins the game.
7. Was he transplanted at Leeds?
11. Ten rove around to become a very fine team. (anagram)
14. Bedworth-born Sky Blue

- midfielder. (4,5)
16. Stoke defender whose name is literally a bit odd.
17. Keeper at Tottenham — Alex sounds unwell!
18. Wednesday forward, previously with Chester, Brighton, Norwich and Man. City.
20. A touch of the Travolta's in the Port Vale defence?
22. (and 21 across) The Dell's Mr. Non-Stop. (4,4)
24. Orient's £100,000 signing from West Ham.

"I would hate to see players queuing up to get out of the country."

... and there was no loosening them.

I would very much like to have kept him until the end of the season even when he had made up his mind that he definitely wanted to go. But there again, all the odds were against me.

Tony admitted that he would not have objected to staying until the end of the season but by putting Cologne off until next summer I was running the considerable risk of reducing the already moderate £650,000 fee we had to accept for him.

By current standards Tony's value must have been around the £1 million mark but if I had not agreed a £650,000 fee with Cologne a couple of weeks ago, there was a chance that when Tony's contract expired and he became something of a free agent, then we might have got a good deal less for him.

As always, I had to do what was best in the interests of Nottingham Forest Football Club and that meant an immediate deal.

It's a dilemma that other English clubs might face if more top players want to try life on the Continent. But there are not so many good footballers in England that we can afford to lose them in great

Laurie Cunningham . . . he's in Spain, Keegan's in Germany and if Brady leaves us too, that's a great loss for us.

numbers.

Laurie Cunningham is in Spain, Kevin Keegan has been out in Germany for some time, he's now been joined by Woodcock and if Liam Brady decides to join them or go to some other country then our game will be the poorer for it.

You only have to take five or six players away and you soon see the difference. But somehow English football has got to find an answer before we lose too many of our top players.

Having said that, no one wishes Tony Woodcock more luck than I do. His career was in the doldrums at one time and if someone had come in with a reasonable bid three years ago he could have gone almost anywhere.

But his career blossomed at Forest, where he benefited from the influx of talented players, and he's given magnificent service over the last two or three seasons.

I wish him well.

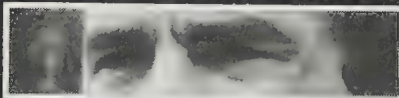
Brian Clough



PRIVATE EYES



- A** Feast your eyes on these! If you can tell us which famous footballing faces these eyes come from, full marks for observation. Answer on page 39.

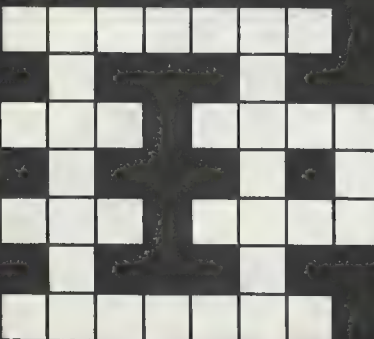


ONE-WAY SYSTEM

Can you fit these 10 football teams, names and terms into the pattern below? They fit together only one way.

Solution on page 39.

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ENGLAND	NETS
FAN	PRESTON
FREE	SPOT
GAME	TIE



HOW's your soccer knowledge? How do you square up to Julian Pincher, the man who holds the title of 'BBC Brain of Sport'? He compiled this week's test to see how you rate in the quiz stakes. Turn to page 39 for the answers.

1. Who was voted Scottish Footballer of the Year in season 1978/9?
2. Which country knocked Brazil out of the 1979 South American Soccer Championship?
3. Which player scored his 250th League goal on the 3/11/79?
4. Who is the only man to coach the winning side in three U.S.A. Super Bowls?
5. Name the goalkeeper who conceded seven goals on his first-team debut in a League match this season.
6. Who was the first man to be voted Footballer of the Year on two occasions?
7. Identify the following clubs from their nicknames: (a) The Tykes (b) The Owls (c) The Loons.
8. Who was the first English footballer to be paid a basic wage of £100 per week after the abolition of the maximum wage?
9. Which footballer scored two hat-tricks in the 1970 World Cup finals in Mexico?



Peter Ward . . . name his previous club. See question 16.

10. Who was the first man to win caps for England at five levels - schoolboy, amateur, youth, under-23 and full?
11. Name the Argentine captain who was sent off against England in the 1966 World Cup?
12. Which club did Wigan replace in the Football League?
13. Name the managers of the following clubs: (a) Cardiff (b) Grimsby (c) Morton.
14. Who is the youngest man to play for Wales in a full international?
15. Which man scored the most goals in the Third Division last season?
16. From which club did Brighton sign Peter Ward?
17. Which team beat Leeds in the final of the 1975 European Cup?
18. Name the only man to score in successive World Cup finals.
19. Who was the manager of Panathinaikos when they reached the final of the 1971 European Cup?
20. Stanley Matthews won an F.A. Cup Winners medal in 1953 at the third attempt. Name the teams that defeated Blackpool in their two previous finals.



Fixtures

Friday, December 7

Division Three

Colchester v Carlisle
Southend v Chester

Division Four

Port Vale v Stockport
Rochdale v Doncaster

Saturday, December 8

Division One

Arsenal v Coventry
Aston Villa v Liverpool
Bristol City v Spurs
C. Palace v Nottm. Forest
Derby v Norwich
Everton v Brighton
Ipswich v Man. City
Man. Utd. v Leeds
Middlesbrough v Southampton
Stoke v W.B.A.
Wolves v Bolton

Division Two

Burnley v Watford
Fulham v Shrewsbury
Leicester v Orient
Luton v Newcastle
Notts. Co. v Birmingham
Oldham v Chelsea
Preston v Cambridge
Q.P.R. v Wrexham
Sunderland v Cardiff
Swansea v Charlton
West Ham v Bristol Rovers

Division Three

Blackburn v Oxford
Blackpool v Reading
Brentford v Hull
Chesterfield v Millwall
Grimsby v Mansfield
Plymouth v Barnsley
Rotherham v Gillingham
Sheffield Wed. v Exeter
Swindon v Bury
Wimbledon v Sheffield Utd.

Division Four

Aldershot v York
Crewe v Bournemouth
Darlington v Tranmere
Halifax v Lincoln
Hartlepool v Newport
Hereford v Newport
Northampton v Scunthorpe
Peterboro' v Portsmouth
Torquay v Huddersfield
Walsall v Wigan

Scottish

Premier Division

*Kilmarnock v Aberdeen
*Morton v Rangers
Partick v St. Mirren

Division One

Airdrie v Clyde
Berwick v Hamilton
Clydebank v Dunfermline
Hearts v Dumbarton
Motherwell v St. Johnstone
Raith Rovers v Arbroath
Stirling v Ayr

Division Two

Albion v Brechin C.
Cowdenbeath v Alloa
East Stirling v Sten'muir
Forfar v Falkirk
Meadowbank v Queen's Park
Montrose v Stranraer
Queen of South v East Fife

Tuesday, December 11

Division One

*Wolves v Liverpool

*Subject to League Cup results - see pages 2/3.

Scottish League Cup Final - see pages 2/3.

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LEAGUE RECORD: 1921 original members of Division 3 (North); 1958 - 60 Division 3; 1960 - 62 Division 4; 1962 - 64 Division 3; 1964 - 70 Division 4; 1970 - 78 Division 3; 1978 - Division 2.
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Welsh cup winners 21 times. Qualified for European Cup Winners Cup 1972 - 73; 1975 - 76 and 1978 - 79.
RECORD VICTORY: 10 - 1 v Hartlepool Utd., Division 4, March 3, 1962.
RECORD DEFEAT: 0 - 9 v Brentford, Division 3, October 15, 1963.
MOST LEAGUE POINTS: 61 Division 4, 1969 - 70; Division 3, 1977 - 78.
MOST LEAGUE GOALS: 106 Division 3 (North), 1932 - 33.
LEAGUE SCORING RECORD: Tom Bamford, 44, Division 3 (North), 1933 - 34.
RECORD LEAGUE GOALS AGGREGATE: Tom Bamford, 175, 1928 - 34.
MOST LEAGUE APPEARANCES: Arfon Griffiths, 587, 1959 - 61; 1962 - 79.
MOST CAPPED PLAYER: Horace Blew, 22, Wales.
RECORD TRANSFER FEE RECEIVED: £300,000 for Mickey Thomas from Manchester United, November 1978, and £300,000 for Bobby Shinton from Manchester City, July 1979.
RECORD TRANSFER FEE PAID: £210,000 to Liverpool for Joey Jones, October 1978.

Arise, Sir Arfon!

DEFENDER JOEY JONES is a folk hero with the Wrexham crowd and is now in his second spell with the club.

He joined Wrexham from school in his home town, Llandudno. He was transferred to Liverpool in 1975 for £110,000, but returned to Wrexham for £210,000 last season.

Joey was in Liverpool's championship side and the European Cup winning team in 1976 - 77.

Wrexham have a blend of experience and youth. In

defence there's former Arsenal and Birmingham man JOHN ROBERTS and skipper GARETH DAVIS, who has made more than 400 appearances for the club.

In TERRY DARRACOTT they had a bargain, paying Tulsa Roughnecks £25,000 for the ex-Everton man. Another ex-Everton player, Welsh international keeper DAI DAVIES, was a 'best buy', too.

In midfield assistant manager MEL SUTTON is a steady

influence while up front, the much-travelled DIXIE McNEIL has been finding the net regularly and is top scorer again so far this season.

MICK VINTER, a close season £150,000 buy from Notts. County, is already a big favourite with the crowd.

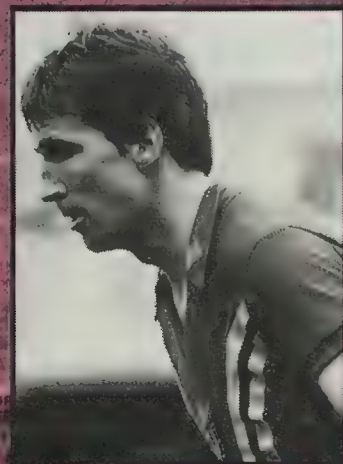
Now that Welsh International IAN EDWARDS is the much-needed big man in the middle, Wrexham are hoping for the final surge to the First Division this season.



Dai Davies... good buy.



Mel Sutton... steady.



Joey Jones... folk hero.

TO NORTH WALES' fans, manager Arfon Griffiths is known as the Prince of Wales. He has been made an M.B.E. and should he lead the club to the First Division, they will demand nothing less than a knighthood!

But what the fans don't realise is that the boyish-looking manager, who took Wrexham to the Second Division for the first time last season, twice nearly gave up the game.

He was 18 when he first thought of packing up. He was a part-timer, working as a clerk at a nearby colliery when not playing football. He had not even had a reserve game when

the manager, John Love, was sacked.

Cliff Lloyd, the man who had spotted Griffiths, took over and put him in the reserves and after two appearances he was in the first team for 34 consecutive games.

Arfon was 29 when he faced his second dilemma. He had been plagued by a series of minor injuries but, encouraged by manager John Neal, he trained through the close season.

Neal was so impressed that he made him a coach, first helping with the youngsters and then with the first team. "And that was when I started to play

my best football," he said.

He became Neal's right-hand man, so it was only natural that when Neal moved to Middlesbrough three seasons ago, he wanted to take Arfon with him.

But Wrexham's directors also realised his potential and offered him Neal's job.

Arfon finally gave up playing League football last season after 602 League games.

Arfon has a good track record so far as a manager and directors and supporters feel he is the man to take them to the First Division.

BELOW: Manager Arfon Griffiths



MENTION the name George Showell and older soccer fans will recall that he was a member of the illustrious Wolves team of the late 1950s and early 1960s.

He was a full-back and his team-mates included Billy Wright, Bert Williams, Johnnie Hancocks and Jimmy Mullen.

George has been with Wrexham for 13 years and is now the club's physio. When he left Wolves he was with Bristol City for two seasons before joining the Welsh club. When his playing days ended, John Neal made him physio and he is extremely happy to be still in football.

Wrexham have had a bad run of injuries since being in the Second Division — six players had operations last season and three so far this season.

He said: "Most of the injuries were done in training. Players train a lot harder today than when I played, so I suppose there is more chance of muscle injuries."

He has one of the best-



Wrexham physio George Showell at work on skipper Gareth Davis

equipped treatment rooms in the League, including an Wrgo Gym that 12 players can use at a time.

George talks enthusiastically about Wrexham's promotion prospects. "I think we are in with a shout this season," he says.

WREXHAM has been the headquarters of the Welsh F.A. since it was formed in 1876. But although Wrexham F.C. was formed three years earlier — it is Wales' oldest club — they have received no favours as far as the staging of international matches goes.

Cardiff was always favoured for the top matches until Wrexham chairman Fred Tomlinson and his board decided to do something about it.

First, they built the 3,500 seater Yale Stand which houses the dressing rooms, offices, kitchens and the Centenary Club for local businessmen. Last season saw the opening of the 2,500-seat Border Stand, behind one of the goals.

At the same time they improved the Kop and covered it.

Eventually it is planned to have a players' gym and a social club under the Border Stand.

The directors' faith has paid off because last season's cup run culminated in a European Championship game was played at the Racecourse and next season, for the first time, the club will host the Wales v England game.

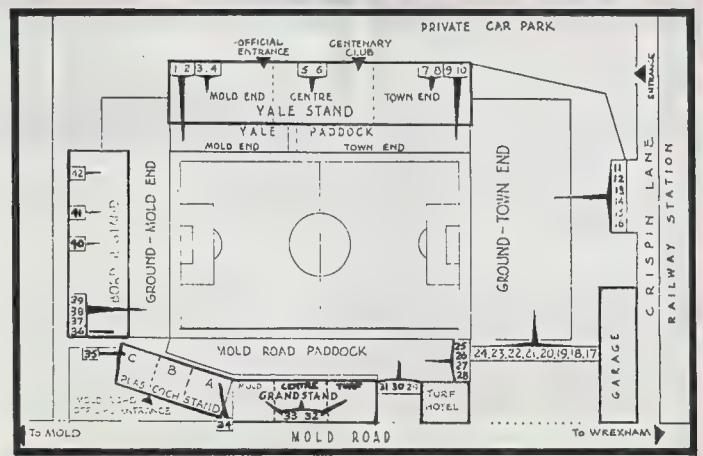
How to get there:

By road: from North and West — use A483 and Wrexham by-pass until junction with A541, then branch left at the roundabout and follow Wrexham signs into Mold Road for Wrexham F.C.

From East and South — follow signs into Wrexham on A534 or A525 then follow signs Mold A541 into Mold Road.

By rail: Wrexham station is only 200yds from the ground. Trains run from Chester and Shrewsbury. Bus services from outlying districts to town.

(Road routes, courtesy of The Supporter, a guide to all Football League grounds, available at 50p from 76 London Road, Salisbury, Wilts).



Slimline Garwood gets his reward

WHEN Portsmouth striker Colin Garwood raced to the top of the League's scorers' list, there was tangible reward at last for a summer of toil, sweat and self-denial.

Slim-line Garwood reckons he's playing better than at any time in a career which has taken him from his native Peterborough to Oldham, Huddersfield, Colchester and finally to Fratton Park just before the transfer deadline in February, 1978.

And for that he can thank Pompey manager Frank Burrows who put him through a summer of sheer hell, pounding the cinder track around the pitch while his team-mates were lapping up the sunshine.

Burrows, the power behind the Pompey revival, had given Garwood an ultimatum at the end of a disappointing first season in the Fourth Division. Either he got himself fitter and sharper or he went and found employment elsewhere.

Garwood took the hint. Under Frank Burrows' direction and fierce scrutiny, he set about reducing his burly frame from an excessive 12st. 8lb.

Weeks of torture later, Garwood was down to 11st. 3lb. and both sharper and quicker than for years.

Garwood explained: "I owe it all to Frank really. If he had not made me go through all that, I don't think I would have inflicted it upon myself voluntarily."



Colin Garwood heads for goal as he sets up another chance for promotion-seeking Portsmouth.



Garwood . . . slimline tonic.

"But it worked. He only let me have two weeks holiday and yet when the other players returned for pre-season training, I was already much fitter."

"As a result I have gained a couple of yards in pace and my confidence has increased with my success. It's all snowballed."

Burrows added: "Colin's success speaks for itself. He put in a lot of hard work and now he is reaping the rewards."

Before the season started Garwood, who had scored 117 League goals for his various clubs, set himself a target.

"At first I thought 20. Then I reckoned 25 would be a greater test."

"But after scoring 16 goals in the first 20 Fourth Division matches, I have revised my target. Now I reckon 30 is not an unreasonable ambition."

"I'm hoping I may get a few more than that even. Normally I do not get many goals until the grounds get heavy. I usually get most of mine after Christmas."

Garwood believes that even if he fails to score another goal this season, Pompey will still go up.

"Everyone is scoring. Not just me. Frank has built up a really strong side by Fourth Division standards and there's enough potential here to go straight through the Third Division as well."

POMPEY FACT

Portsmouth, in season 1948-49 were the only First Division title-winning team in history that did not contain a solitary international. But five members who became internationals were Jimmy Dickinson, Jack Froggatt, Peter Harris and Len Phillips (England) and Jimmy Scoular (Scotland).



RICHARD'S ON THE BALL

RICHARD Foxall, aged 15, is the second winner of a super leather football, autographed by the West Bromwich Albion team for his nomination of Osvaldo Ardiles of Tottenham Hotspur and Argentina and Arnold Muhren of Ipswich and Holland, for the Ron Atkinson analysis.

He lives at 13 Heath Road, Ramsden Heath, near Billericay, Essex, and is a fan of both Ipswich and Brighton.

Of Ardiles and Muhren, he said: "They are both foreign midfield maestros and have settled into English soccer very well. So well, in fact, that they were both voted 'Player of the Year' of their respective clubs."



SCOUTING TRIP

IN THIS word game we've given you half the answers and you have to tick your brains for the other half. Well as keep your eyes peeled to find the rest.

They are all hidden in the grid, but not all printed letters left to right. Some have been put in backwards and others run up, down or diagonally, but they are always in straight lines.

Some of the letters are used in more than one answer and some aren't used at all. As you find each answer put a line through it so you can see how you're getting on.

Solution on page 39

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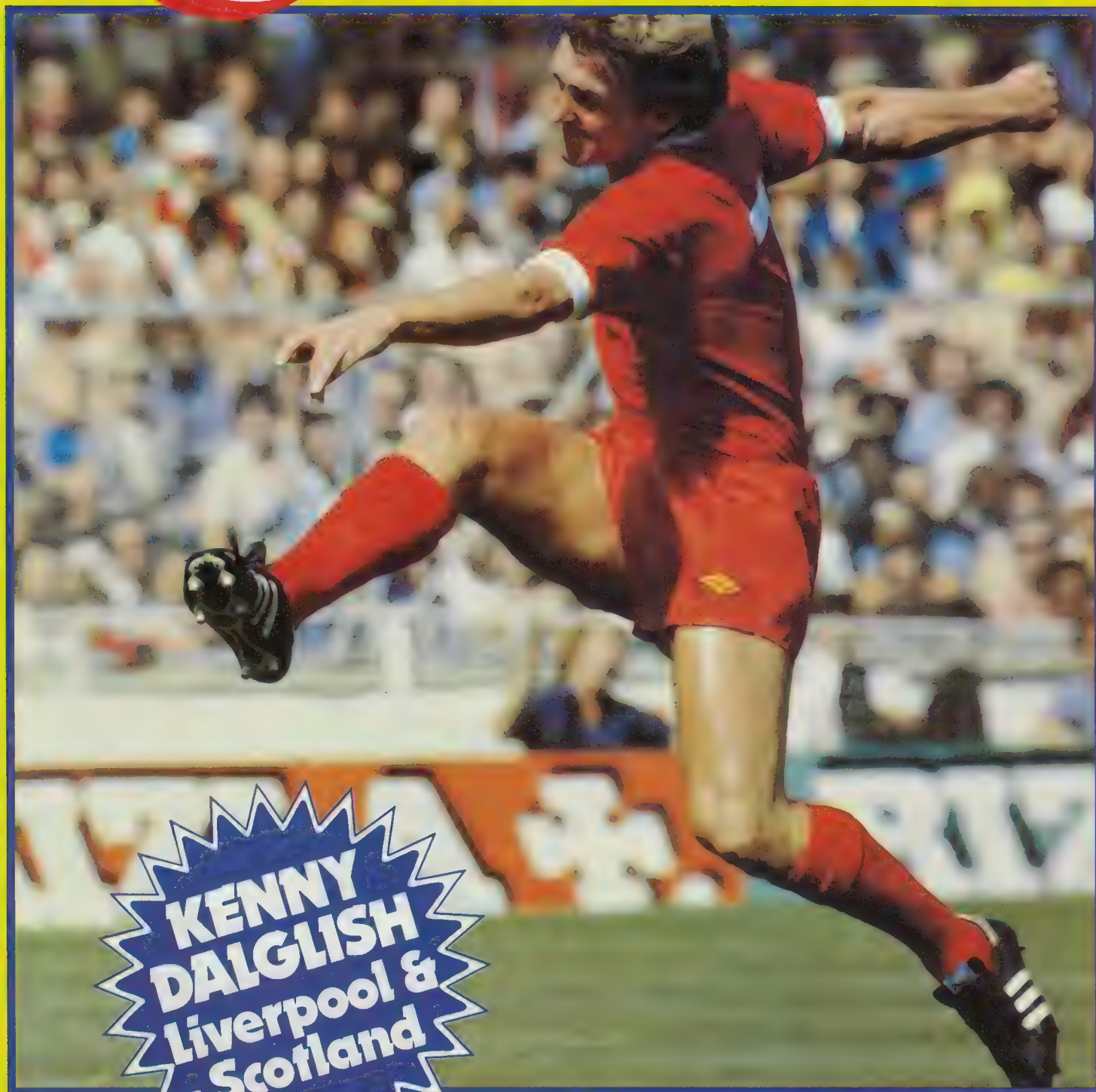
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First half:
Find these eight clubs:
ARSENAL
BLACKBURN ROVERS
BRIGHTON
BRISTOL CITY
BURNLEY
BURY
COLCHESTER
RANGERS

Second half: Now find the grounds of all eight clubs.

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KENNY DALGLISH

BIRTHPLACE: Glasgow.
BIRTHDATE: March 4, 1951.
LEAGUE APPEARANCES: 202 (Celtic), 99 (Liverpool).
LEAGUE GOALS: 112 (Celtic), 50 (Liverpool).
FA CUP GOALS: 11 (Celtic), 5 (Liverpool).
LEAGUE CUP GOALS: 35 (Celtic), 9 (Liverpool).
EUROPEAN GOALS: 9 (Celtic), 3 (Liverpool).
FULL INTERNATIONAL GOALS: 21 for Scotland.

THE Kenny Dalglish goal that will forever live in the memory of Scottish fans is that darting header against Wales on a frenzied October night at Anfield in 1977.

Scotland needed victory to seal their place in the 1978 World Cup finals in Argentina. They led the Welsh with a controversial penalty but were under extreme pressure until, just before the end, Dalglish combined with Lou Macari to send substitute Martin Buchan off on a clear run on the right wing.

Dalglish set off at the retreating Welsh defence and as Buchan's first time cross came over, met it perfectly with a glancing flick into the roof of the net.

Two-nil, Scotland had made it and were on their way to South America...

A TOUCH of Magic... Kenny Dalglish, the cover star of our Super Strikers Collectors Series, certainly has it. And so do all the other strikers – the glamour boys who grab the soccer headlines – to be featured in the coming weeks. Carefully remove the pages from the centre fold and keep them until your collection is complete. It will form a superb file on some of the great names in football.



DENIS LAW

BIRTHPLACE: Aberdeen.
BIRTHDATE: February 24, 1940.
APPEARANCES: 81 (Huddersfield), 305 (Manchester United), 66 (Manchester City).
LEAGUE GOALS: 16 (Huddersfield), 171 (Manchester United), 30 (Manchester City).
FA CUP GOALS: 38.
LEAGUE CUP GOALS: 5.
EUROPEAN GOALS: 28.
FULL INTERNATIONAL GOALS: 30 for Scotland.

LAW scored countless goals for Manchester United and Scotland – but the one he'll remember most came in a game for Rest of the World against England at Wembley.

The build-up involved two of the greatest players ever. Alfredo di Stefano crossed the England half-way line and hit a superb 40-yard pass to Ferenc Puskas as he ventured into the penalty area.

Puskas beat one man and then squared it to Law who hit it first time with his right foot. The ball screamed into the net past a helpless Gordon Banks.



CYRILLE REGIS

BIRTHPLACE: Maripasoula (French Guyana).
BIRTHDATE: February 9, 1958.
LEAGUE APPEARANCES: 71.
LEAGUE GOALS: 23.
FA CUP GOALS: 7.
LEAGUE CUP GOALS: 2.
EUROPEAN GOALS: 2.

AT Manchester City, they still talk about the day in April '78 when, Albion's Cyrille Regis got a standing ovation from 36,000 Maine Road fans. He leapt high deep in his own half to intercept a pass from Gary Owen and brought it down miraculously on his toe end and set off on a mazy dribble past Watson, Doyle, Power and Donachie, before chipping over the advancing Corrigan.



ANDY GRAY

BIRTHPLACE: Glasgow.
BIRTHDATE: November 30, 1955.
LEAGUE APPEARANCES: 61 (Dundee United), 112 (Aston Villa), 11 (Wolves).
LEAGUE GOALS: 36 (Dundee United), 54 (Aston Villa), 5 (Wolves).
FA CUP GOALS: 4 (Dundee United), 3 (Aston Villa).
LEAGUE CUP GOALS: 7 (Dundee United), 10 (Aston Villa).
INTERNATIONAL GOALS: 3 for Scotland.
EUROPEAN GOALS: 2 (Aston Villa).

THERE could have been no better start to Andy Gray's £1.5 million career with Wolves. On his debut at Everton in September 1979, he played a neat one-two with Mel Eves, before crashing a fierce left-foot volley wide of the startled George Wood.

The goal equalised Brian Kidd's first-half goal for Everton and Peter Daniel and John Richards went on to earn Wolves a memorable 3-1 victory.



TREVOR FRANCIS

BIRTHPLACE: Plymouth.
BIRTHDATE: April 19, 1954.
LEAGUE APPEARANCES: 278 (Birmingham), 27 (Nottingham Forest).
LEAGUE GOALS: 118 (Birmingham), 10 (Forest).
FA CUP GOALS: 6 (Birmingham).
LEAGUE CUP GOALS: 6 (Birmingham).
EUROPEAN GOALS: 1 (Nottingham Forest).
FULL INTERNATIONAL GOALS: 4 for England.

NO PRIZES for guessing Trevor Francis' most memorable goal. It has to be the spectacular header which gave Nottingham Forest a famous victory in the 1979 European Cup Final.

The Munich goal also announced Francis' arrival as a world-class player — the night he finally dispelled all doubts surrounding his record-breaking £1 million transfer.

John Robertson swung over a beautiful cross behind the Malmo defence. Francis' late run was perfectly timed and his diving header looped over the helpless Moller into the net.

SUPER STRIKERS

LUTHER BLISSETT

BIRTHPLACE: Jamaica.
BIRTHDATE: February 1, 1958.
APPEARANCES: 75 for Watford.
LEAGUE GOALS: 32.
FA CUP GOALS: None.
LEAGUE CUP GOALS: 7.

WATFORD fans voted Luther Blissett's match-winner against Manchester United in the 1978 League Cup third round their goal of the season – and no wonder.

The move started with Gordon McQueen allowing Ross Jenkins to turn inside and set up Brian Pollard with a neat pass to Dennis Booth. The Watford skipper spotted Blissett's ghosting into the box and Gary Bailey was helpless to stop the black striker's flying header.

SKIPTON

DON'T FORGET.....MORE PAGES FOR YOUR FABULOUS
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ARE IN NEXT WEEK'S ISSUE. DON'T MISS IT!

Muhen, who came into the English season a bit later, took a bit of time to settle down. In fact, we played against him in one of his early games and I felt at that time he was going to have problems settling into the more vigorous approach to English soccer.

Ardiles seems as if he can deal with a ball that comes from any



WATKINSON

Arnold Muhren... a little slow but has such a good appreciation of the game he seldom gets bogged down and always finds space.



ARDILES	MUHEN	
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0	Passing	9
7	Left side	10
3	Right side	7
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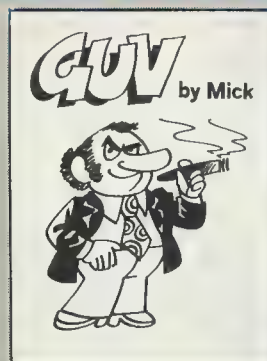


Ardiles is a better close passer than Muhren, plays the ball shorter and probably has more touches than most players in the game. The majority of his passing is played over 10 to 15 yards – little quick balls to penetrate your defence, either

Ardiles scores on speed but Muhren scores on shooting particularly with his left foot.

I hope that answers some points Richard. I'll announce another prizewinner next week. See you then . . .

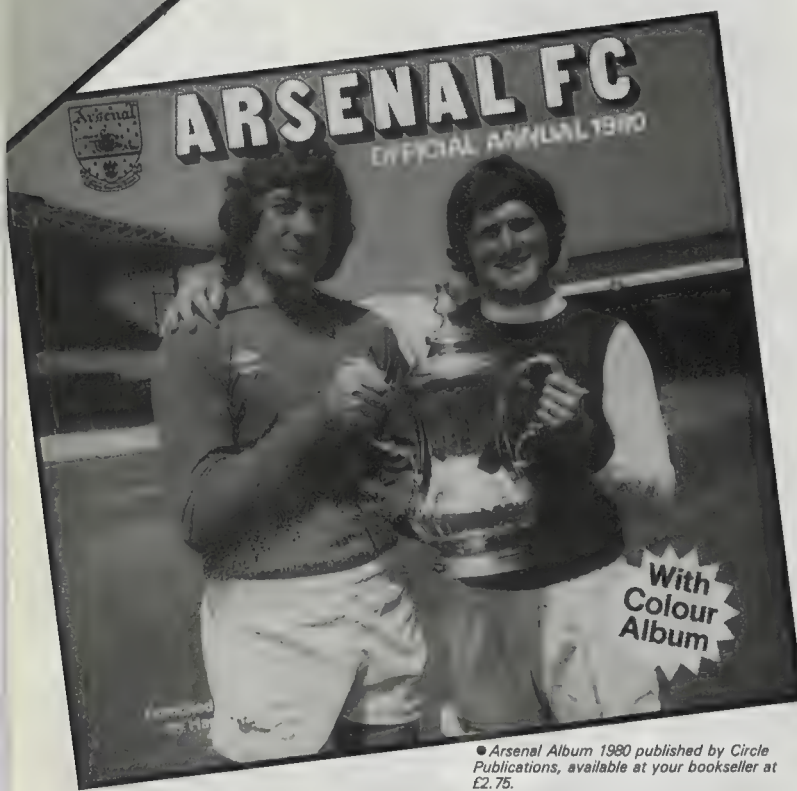
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1. Who scored Arsenal's winning goal in this year's Cup Final against Manchester United?
2. Which famous Arsenal centre-forward announced his retirement this year through injury?
3. Which current Arsenal player came from Ipswich Town for a £450,000 fee?
4. For which other London First Division team did Pat Jennings previously play?
5. Which well-known BBC TV commentator used to play in goal for Arsenal?



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Too much cash

I THINK football managers have too much money to spend. An appeal has been launched to raise £100,000 on 'Blue Peter' to send relief to Cambodia. This is only a fraction of what is needed. I think clubs like Liverpool, Arsenal, Manchester United and Nottingham Forest could afford to subscribe a certain amount to this appeal. It may leave the club open to some criticism but at least the money would be well used.

Alastair Sampson, Belfast.

Well done, Len!

IN TODAY'S world of football greediness, how refreshing it is to hear that Len Ashurst, manager of Fourth Division Newport County, turned down an offer from Sunderland that would have made him the highest-paid manager in the Football League.

It's this kind of loyalty and devotion towards a club that keeps modern football sane and maintains British football as the best in the world.

Good luck to Len and his club for the future.

Andrew Pritchard, Monmouth, Gwent.

More study

FOOTBALL critics should study the game more before commenting. A lot of clubs are getting criticism they do not always deserve. Jimmy Hill, after 'Match of the Day' recently, made some comments that were harmful to the team. For instance, to suit his argument, 'Match of the Day' had cut out Stoke's best two chances.

Alan Durban, manager of Stoke, has made some excellent new signings in the past. I am sure that, with his methods, he is bound to make Stoke City a successful team.

Andrew McDonald, Burslem, Staffs.

Bubble bursts

THE Scottish football scene is often held up as an example to the rest of the British Isles as being the best with its Premier League - a sort of Super League often advocated for the rest of the country.

Scottish fans are also hailed as the keenest, most supportive, etc. But I wonder - has anyone glanced at Scottish attendance figures lately? Hibs versus Aberdeen recently attracted the breathtaking gate of 6,500 fans!! Partick v Morton 7,000 and even one of the 'old firms', Rangers, could only muster 21,000! How's that for the bursting of a Scottish bubble!!

Peter Bell, Blackpool, Lancs.

TV cheats

AS A loyal supporter of Manchester United, I was very surprised to see the players cheating and fouling the Ipswich Town players.

I visited the game versus West Bromwich Albion and the players didn't foul half as much. So I wonder, are some players fouling just because they are on television?

Melfyn Roberts, Caernarfon, North Wales.

TERRACE TALK

Keep it clean, Brian!

LAST season, Brian Clough had a special sign made to stop swearing at football matches. It read: 'Please Keep it Clean, Gentlemen'.

Yet Brian Clough himself appears to swear more than the average man. It's clearly shown at the start of 'Match of the Day' when the theme music is played. You can see him shaking his fist and you can

make out what he's saying. Believe me, it's not nice.

Just think if a woman was nearby, or a policeman.

Someone should tell Clough to watch his language. Or how about a sign: 'Brian, keep it clean, please'. He has been caught out!

Garry Dickens, West Bromwich, West Midlands.



Not so fit

IN THE words of His Highness in 'The King and I', it's a puzzlement to me why, with all their early nights, keep-fit programmes and treatment-room facilities, so many footballers fall victim so easily to germs and viruses!

There have been occasions when WHOLE TEAMS have been flu-ed up and couldn't play. Heaven help we ordinary mortals who don't have the 'cotton-wool treatment' a footballer gets.

Melanie Mann, Bradford, West Yorks.

Not extinct yet

IN REPLY to Malcolm Waldron's point in MATCH about the days of the big No. 5's being numbered, I would agree, where it concerns quick strikers who would turn and get past large centre-half's in a flash.

Even so, there are a few still left who could stop a runaway striker and who are tall and well-built, like Gordon McQueen of Manchester United and in the Second Division, Micky Droy of Chelsea. These two players are not easily overlooked and both have years left in their footballing careers.

Mark Hawley, Norbury, London.

Think again, Steve

STEVE COPPELL said in MATCH that only two or three Liverpoolians are in the Liverpool and Everton sides each week. He said it was the worst case of use of local players in the First Division. What a load of crap!

You only have to look at the 'derby' teams earlier this season to see how wrong that statement was. Both teams had four Scousers. Furthermore, Manchester United didn't even have one Mancunian on the pitch against Ipswich on the same Saturday.

Don't start knocking England's greatest football city - a place that has about 90 players in the League.

Martin Clarke, Liverpool.

Humble best

I HAVE often heard that Liverpool and Manchester have the best supporters in Britain or even the world and how they're worth a goal and can lift their sides when they're losing.

Without a doubt, the best supporters are those who back teams in the lowest divisions.

If you support Nottingham Forest, it's easy to boast about supporting the European Champions. But if you support a team like Rochdale or Halifax, you'll probably get laughed at.

Yet these Third and Fourth Division supporters turn out every Saturday to support their club through thick and thin, without any real chance of their team winning a major trophy. They fight the grim battle for survival. These are the 'best' supporters.

A. Borland, Muckamore, Co. Antrim.

Unwanted?

WITH George Best coming back to England and wanting to play in the First Division, I was shocked that not one top English club came in with a bid.

George would be the first to tell you that he has had his troubles, but he has a talent that is rare in other players. I also read that he would be prepared to play for not a single penny until the end of the season.

If no club does come in for him I think he would be a big loss to the First Division.

Jason Archer, New Barnet, Herts.

● We can only agree with you, Jason, but many football managers are renowned for their long memories. However, at least George is now with Hibernian and so still in British soccer.

Ideal season

THE ideal football season would be from September to May inclusive with:

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- (b) A First Division streamlined League of 16 teams, with two-up, two-down promotion and relegation from the Second and Third Divisions, also comprising 16 teams, playing 30 fixtures.
- (c) Regional North and South Leagues of 16 teams each feeding the main divisions and nursery clubs feeding them grouped regionally.
- (d) League Cup competition before Christmas and followed by the customary F.A. Cup afterwards.
- (e) All-seat capacity main grounds, using them as social leisure centres during the week.
- (f) Transfer limits for players set at £100,000 with most of this going into ground improvements.

Reg Moore, Bath, Avon.

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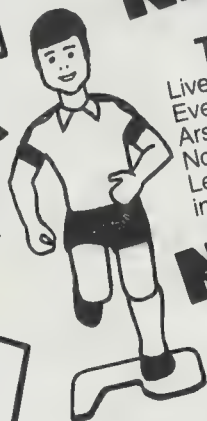
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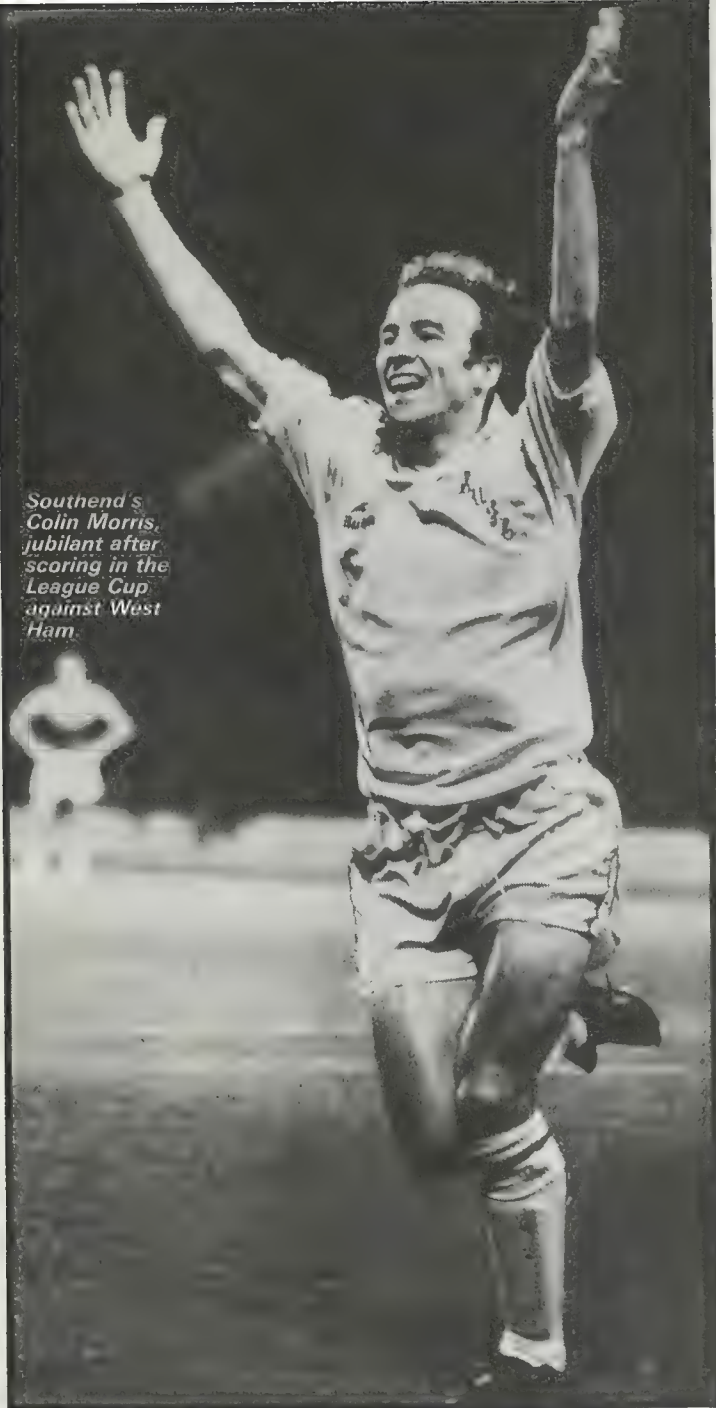
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DAVE SMITH, manager of struggling Southend, says . . .

Sloppiness doesn't pay

Southend's Colin Morris, jubilant after scoring in the League Cup against West Ham.



SOUTHEND United, conquerors of First Division Bolton Wanderers in the Football League Cup, started the season full of optimism, confident that they were capable of making a serious challenge for promotion.

Yet despite taking the aristocrats of West Ham United to three games in the Third Round of the League Cup, Southend United now find themselves as far away from the Second Division as they are from their famous pier head. In short, the 'Shrimpers' are wallowing in the mud at the bottom of the Third Division, desperately seeking the clear water above.

And the key to this remarkable situation could be a certain pre-season trip to Dover, where at an after-match reception the party contracted food poisoning.

That bug proved more devastating than could be imagined. To start with the club had to postpone its opening fixtures and so fell immediately behind its rivals. But more important was the long term effect it had on the players.

Even into September, forward Derrick Parker was getting the shakes after games, "and he wasn't shaking because I was giving a sermon, that's for sure," comments manager Dave Smith. "But that's the way they felt. Everybody was cream crackered."

Today, three months after

that painful episode, winger Terry Gray still has a positive reading and observes that, "even now our players tend not to have that reserve of energy that is normal in highly-trained professionals."

Manager Smith realises that his players have been drained to the limit, but he refuses to hide behind excuses when accounting for his team's performances. What he does know is that his players have been caught out badly at set pieces this season. Goals conceded from four corners, two penalties and a couple of free-kicks are the difference between respectability and the current position in the League table.

"We have been sloppy and we have been punished for it," he explains succinctly.

The players have worked hard in training to iron out this deficiency in their play and to help solve the problem, winger Terry Gray has been drafted back into the goalmouth, to assist on dead ball situations. "An extra pair of eyes, an extra voice," says Mr. Smith in a hushed voice.

The players have obviously been guilty of making elementary mistakes, yet how much this is attributable to the side effects of that latent bug we shall probably never know. Clearly it is more difficult to make an exhausted body respond to a situation than a fit one.

THE QUIET STRIKER

WHILE soccer's pundits predict great fame and fortune for Clive Allen, spare a thought for the young man cast so often in his shadow.

Yet Paul Goddard doesn't mind being the forgotten man of Loftus Road. He's quite happy for young Clive, tipped by many for even greater success than his famous footballing father Les, to grab the lion's share of the headlines.

The pair have been fellow goal-getters and great friends at Q.P.R. for a long time, even though Clive is just 18 and Paul only two years older.

"I'm not jealous of all the praise Clive gets.

"I have played alongside Clive for a long time now and we know each other very well. I'd like to think we have both

helped make each other better players.

"He's been getting all the goals and glory but that doesn't worry me so long as I'm scoring a few and we are winning games."

Goddard is more the target man, making space and taking defenders away from his England youth international colleague.

"But at the end of the day I have to score a few goals myself because I am a striker and that's my job. If I wasn't doing my share I'd expect to be dropped.

His shrewd approach and maturity beyond his 20 years is down to a steady background — one without the career stage management that Clive Allen has had.

In fact Rangers first spotted

Paul Goddard of Q.P.R.

Paul playing in a five-a-side contest for the Boys' Brigade. He still coaches youngsters and is a Boys' Brigade leader.

If his soccer future continues to shape up at Rangers, he plans to get married next year.

He's enjoying Q.P.R.'s current run of success under Tommy Docherty and says: "He keeps us on our toes with his snap decisions. Like when I scored two of our seven goals against Burnley and then the Doc dropped me for the League Cup game with Wolves.

"Yes, he's really shaken the club up and is not afraid to give the younger lads a chance."

Indeed, with only four players aged over 23 in the side, Paul Goddard is a prominent part of another version of the Boys' Brigade.



Happy out of the limelight . . . Paul Goddard at Loftus Road.

match makers

MARK DENNIS

(Birmingham City and
England Under 21)

FULL NAME: Mark Earl Dennis.
BIRTHPLACE/DATE: Streatham, May 2, 1961.
HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 5ft 8½ins, 10st 8lb.
MARRIED: No.
CAR: Austin Princess 22.
PREVIOUS CLUBS: None.
TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: Apprentice professional.
CLUB NICKNAME: Billy.
WORST EVER INJURY: A head injury.
FAVOURITE BRITISH PLAYER AND WHY: George Best, because he was a natural.
FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Crystal Palace.
FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND WHY: Pele – for his all-round strength.
BEST ALL-TIME BRITISH TEAM: Banks, Cohen, Sansom, Mullery, J. Charlton, Moore, Best, Law, B. Charlton, Hurst, Peters.
ALL-TIME INTERNATIONAL X1: Banks, Cohen, Cooper, Beckenbauer, J. Charlton, Moore, Jairzinho, Law, B. Charlton, Pele, Best.
FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: Anfield.
FAVOURITE STADIUM AT WHICH YOU HAVE PLAYED: Old Trafford.
BEST GOAL SCORED: I once scored a penalty for England Youth.
BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: Keith Bertschin's goal for Birmingham in a friendly against a team from Cyprus earlier this season.
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: West Ham's Jimmy Neighbour.
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: For England Youth v West Germany in the Little World Cup.
OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: Receiving the player-of-the-year award from the Birmingham fans last season.
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Getting relegated last season.
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Tennis, badminton, cricket, squash and golf.
MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Animals.
MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Washing the car.
FAVOURITE TV: Rising Damp, Fawlty Towers.
TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF: All religious programmes.
FAVOURITE READING: Biography of the Kray twins.
FAVOURITE MUSICIAN/SINGER: Barry Manilow.
FAVOURITE FOOD: Chicken curry.
FAVOURITE DRINK: Lager.
BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Austria.
FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: Leonard Rossiter and Susan George.
BEST FILM SEEN IN '79: Texas Chain-saw Rising.
BEST FRIEND: Mike Fillery (Chelsea) and Kevin Dillon of Birmingham.
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: My father.
WHAT DON'T YOU LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL: Bad referees.
SUPERSTITIONS: None.
PRE-MATCH MEAL: Boiled eggs and cornflakes.
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: Nine England youth caps and one England Under-21 cap.
PERSONAL AMBITION: To be happy and successful in football.
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To play for the full England side and win a cup winners' medal.
CAREER AFTER PLAYING: I hope to own a sports shop.
A PLAYER FOR THE EIGHTIES: Ian Anderside, Birmingham City.
WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET: Severiano Ballesteros, the golfer.

Mark Dennis



The ITALIAN JOB!

COUNTDOWN TO THE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS IN ROME

GLENN HODDLE – the midfield maestro with the all too rare habit of scoring spectacular goals – has rung the alarm bells for England's opponents in the finals of the European Championships.

The Tottenham player must surely figure prominently in England manager Ron Greenwood's plans for Italy next year following his inspired debut in the recent clash with Bulgaria at Wembley.

And his unpredictable skills and incredible shooting ability could prove vital to England... and fatal for the rest of Europe's cream.

Hoddle said after his debut: "I felt really at home out there." Greenwood followed that comment with: "Glenn is one of those players who can adapt quite easily. He's got the right style and attitude."

But Hoddle wasn't the only one to make his mark as a full England international – Norwich striker Kevin Reeves and Crystal Palace full-back Ken Sansom also shined and their inclusion at the expense of old hands like Mick Mills, Steve Coppell and Trevor Brooking leaves Greenwood with a delightful selection problem for the prestigious date with Rome, where it is left to England to fly the home flag.

The task England face and the sides they are likely to meet there.



Austrian star Hans Krankl in action for his club Barcelona – a key man in his country's bid to get to Rome.

As host country Italy have automatically qualified. Other finalists are Holland from Group 4, Czechoslovakia from Group 5, and Greece from Group 6.

Austria are favourites in Group 2. They have played all their matches and have 11 points with a goal difference of seven. Belgium would have to beat Scotland at Hampden to overtake them. Portugal lie in third spot, but their very slim chances depend on Belgium failing to win and then going on themselves to beat Scotland by five goals or more.

The crucial Scotland v Belgium fixture that should decide things will be played on December 19.

Group 3 is between Spain and Yugoslavia, but it is Spain that should go through. Yugoslavia are top of the table having finished their programme. Spain have to win their last game away to Cyprus to pip the Yugoslavs.

West Germany look the most likely to qualify from Group 7 despite Turkey's top position. It's between those two, but Germany have only to beat

Turkey on their home ground to qualify.

Predicting football is a chancy game as any pools punter will tell you but **MATCH WEEKLY** sees this as the likely line-up for Rome: England, Italy, Holland, Greece, Spain, West Germany, Austria, and Czechoslovakia.

It has to be said that England's group was not a particularly tough one, but their impressive record under Ron Greenwood must make them one of the favourites. Italy, surrounded by their hot-blooded fans must be a danger as are Holland.

But as the patriotic Wembley crowd love to sing – what ever will be, will be.

Composition of the groups for the finals of the Championship from June 11 to June 22, 1980, will take place on January 16. The four venues for the finals will be Milan, Torino, Rome and Naples.

QUALIFIERS

ENGLAND

GROUP 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
England	7	6	1	0	20	5	13
Northern Ireland	8	4	1	3	8	14	9
Eire	7	2	3	2	9	6	7
Bulgaria	8	2	1	5	6	14	5
Denmark	8	1	2	5	13	17	4

HOLLAND

GROUP 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Holland	8	6	1	1	20	6	13
Poland	8	5	2	1	13	4	12
East Germany	8	5	1	2	18	11	11
Switzerland	8	2	0	6	7	18	4
Iceland	8	0	0	8	2	21	0

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

GROUP 5

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Czechoslovakia	6	5	0	1	17	4	10
France	6	4	1	1	13	7	9
Sweden	6	1	2	3	9	13	4
Luxembourg	6	0	1	5	2	17	1

Saturday result:
Czechoslovakia 4 Luxembourg 0

GREECE

GROUP 6

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Greece	6	3	1	2	13	7	7
Hungary	6	2	2	2	9	9	6
Finland	6	2	2	2	10	15	6
Soviet Union	6	1	3	2	7	8	5

HOT TIPS

AUSTRIA

GROUP 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Austria	8	4	3	1	14	7	11
Belgium	7	3	4	0	9	4	10
Portugal	7	4	1	2	9	7	9
Scotland	6	2	1	3	10	9	5
Norway	8	0	1	7	5	20	1

SPAIN

GROUP 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Yugoslavia	6	4	0	2	14	6	8
Spain	5	3	1	1	10	4	7
Romania	6	2	2	2	9	8	6
Cyprus	5	0	1	4	1	16	1

WEST GERMANY

GROUP 7

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Turkey	5	3	1	1	5	3	7
West Germany	4	2	2	0	7	1	6
Wales	6	3	0	3	9	8	6
Malta	5	0	1	4	2	13	1



West Germany's Karl Heinz Rummenigge – a man to be feared if the Germans reach Rome as expected.



Dutch defender Ernie Brandts – a man strikers will have to beat in Italy.

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English League

DIVISION 1	HOME	Goals	AWAY	Goals
P W D L F A W D L F A Pts				
Leeds	18 6 3 0 21 6 6 3 0 13 4 30			
Liverpool	18 9 0 0 16 5 1 4 4 7 10 24			
Newcastle	17 6 1 2 16 9 3 3 2 12 9 22			
Burnley	17 4 5 0 12 8 4 1 3 12 10 22			
Everton	18 5 4 0 11 4 3 2 4 11 13 22			
Ipswich	17 5 2 1 14 8 3 3 3 15 17 21			
Q.P.R.	18 2 6 0 14 9 4 2 4 16 15 20			
Southampton	18 5 3 1 17 8 2 4 3 7 17 20			
Leicester	18 4 3 2 11 7 2 4 3 9 11 19			
Derby	18 6 2 1 17 8 1 3 5 6 15 18			
Arsenal	19 4 4 3 13 12 3 1 4 10 13 19			
Coventry	19 6 1 3 13 8 1 3 6 15 18			
Chelsea	17 5 1 2 19 9 1 3 5 9 13 16			
Sheff. Utd.	17 3 3 2 13 7 3 1 5 9 15 16			
Man. City	17 5 1 2 12 8 1 3 5 6 12 16			
Tottenham	18 3 0 5 9 14 2 3 5 10 13 15			
Stoke	17 4 3 1 15 6 0 3 6 7 15 14			
Man. Utd.	17 4 3 2 10 7 0 2 6 5 13 13			
Wolves	18 3 3 3 10 11 1 2 6 10 18 13			
Norwich	17 2 4 3 7 11 0 3 5 5 14 11			
West Ham	18 0 4 5 10 16 1 3 5 5 13 9			
Birmingham	17 2 3 4 10 14 0 2 6 7 19 9			

DIVISION 2	HOME	Goals	AWAY	Goals
P W D L F A W D L F A Pts				
Middlesbro'	18 6 2 1 12 5 5 4 0 11 5 28			
Orient	19 5 3 2 15 8 3 5 1 14 10 24			
Notts. Cty.	18 4 4 1 15 12 4 2 3 14 12 22			
Nottm. For.	18 6 2 1 18 4 1 5 3 7 9 21			
Aston Villa	18 5 4 0 18 7 2 3 4 5 9 21			
Luton	17 5 2 1 20 11 3 3 3 10 13 21			
W.B.A.	19 4 4 1 12 8 3 3 4 9 12 21			
Sunderland	17 3 4 1 12 5 4 2 3 11 8 20			
Blackpool	19 5 2 3 15 8 3 2 4 8 18 20			
Bristol City	19 6 2 3 13 9 3 2 4 10 11 20			
Carlisle	18 6 2 1 17 6 2 2 5 8 16 20			
Hull	19 5 4 0 11 3 1 4 5 7 16 20			
Preston	18 4 4 1 15 11 1 4 4 8 14 18			
Fulham	19 5 3 2 8 6 1 3 5 4 13 18			
Portsmouth	17 4 2 3 13 11 2 2 4 10 18 18			
Millwall	18 4 1 4 13 8 2 2 5 10 16 15			
Cardiff	18 3 3 3 9 6 1 4 4 11 22 15			
Oxford	18 3 4 2 10 9 1 2 6 4 14 14			
Sheff. Wed.	18 4 2 3 13 8 1 0 8 5 16 12			
Bolton	17 4 1 3 9 8 1 1 7 3 12 12			
Swindon	19 4 2 3 9 8 0 2 8 6 21 12			
Crystal P.	19 1 3 6 13 19 1 3 5 5 13 10			

DIVISION 3	HOME	Goals	AWAY	Goals
P W D L F A W D L F A Pts				
Bristol R.	19 6 3 0 12 4 5 5 0 19 5 30			
Bournemouth	19 6 0 3 12 7 4 6 0 15 9 26			
York	18 5 4 0 12 4 3 5 1 9 7 25			
Oldham	17 4 4 1 11 4 4 4 0 12 8 24			
Chesterfield	19 6 1 2 14 8 2 5 3 6 8 22			
Huddersfield	19 5 3 1 13 9 2 5 3 10 15 22			
Blackburn	18 7 1 1 19 4 2 2 5 12 19 21			
Charlton	19 7 2 1 24 12 2 1 6 8 15 21			
Hereford	19 4 3 3 13 9 2 5 2 10 9 20			
Wrexham	19 5 4 1 17 7 2 2 5 4 12 20			
Tranmere	18 3 4 1 8 3 3 3 3 4 10 19			
Grimsby	17 5 3 1 14 8 1 4 3 4 6 19			
Halifax	17 3 4 1 8 5 3 3 3 8 13 19			
Plymouth	18 5 3 1 16 7 2 1 6 10 14 18			
Southend	19 5 2 3 20 15 1 4 4 3 10 18			
Watford	18 3 4 2 9 7 3 1 5 11 17 17			
Port Vale	19 5 2 2 15 9 0 4 6 6 16 16			
Brighton	19 2 2 6 10 16 3 4 2 8 10 16			
Walsall	19 3 4 2 11 4 0 3 7 7 18 13			
Cambridge	17 5 2 2 14 9 0 1 7 3 14 13			
Aldershot	18 4 3 2 14 10 1 0 8 6 18 13			
Southport	19 1 7 2 10 9 1 1 7 8 22 12			
Shrewsbury	19 2 2 6 8 13 0 2 7 5 17 8			
Rochdale	17 0 5 3 10 15 1 1 7 4 22 8			

DIVISION 4	HOME	Goals	AWAY	Goals
P W D L F A W D L F A Pts				
Colchester	19 8 2 0 25 6 3 5 1 12 5 29			
Peterboro'	19 9 1 0 22 3 3 4 2 10 9 29			
Gillingham	20 6 2 1 25 8 4 4 3 17 11 26			
Lincoln	19 6 3 1 18 10 3 2 4 9 11 23			
Reading	18 4 4 1 11 5 3 4 2 7 6 22			
Mansfield	19 8 2 0 24 6 0 4 5 7 18 22			
Bury	19 8 0 1 24 6 0 5 5 6 13 21			
Torquay	19 6 3 1 18 11 1 4 4 6 15 21			
Newport	19 7 1 2 16 7 1 4 4 6 15 21			
Exeter	19 5 2 2 17 6 4 0 6 8 14 20			
Northampton	18 6 2 1 12 4 1 3 5 9 18 19			
Bradford	20 4 5 1 15 11 2 2 6 9 15 19			
Rotherham	19 5 3 1 13 6 1 3 6 13 15 18			
Swansea	19 6 2 2 15 6 1 2 6 5 15 18			
Scunthorpe	18 5 4 0 14 5 1 1 7 7 20 17			
Stockport	19 1 6 2 10 10 2 4 4 12 21 16			
Brentford	19 4 2 4 15 9 2 2 1 6 8 17 15			
Chester	18 4 1 4 13 14 2 2 5 8 16 15			
Doncaster	18 4 4 1 16 9 1 1 7 6 23 15			
Crewe	19 4 3 2 12 15 1 1 8 9 20 14			
Workington	18 3 5 1 6 5 0 3 6 4 20 14			
Barnsley	18 4 3 2 15 9 0 2 7 5 22 13			
Hartlepool	19 3 2 4 7 10 0 4 6 6 16 12			
Darlington	18 2 4 3 8 9 1 1 7 4 19 11			

Scottish League

SCOTTISH DIVISION 1	HOME	Goals	AWAY	Goals
P W D L F A W D L F A Pts				
Celtic	13 4 1 0 19 3 7 0 1 14 6 23			
Hearts	13 3 3 1 13 8 4 1 1 14 9 18			
Aberdeen	12 2 3 0 7 3 4 2 1 11 7 17			
Hibs	12 6 0 0 17 5 1 3 2 6 11 17			
Rangers	12 3 1 3 7 6 4 1 0 10 4 16			
Dundee Utd.	12 3 1 1 9 4 3 2 2 8 10 15			
Ayr	13 3 2 1 9 7 2 2 3 10 14 14			
Dumbarton	13 3 0 4 8 8 3 1 2 9 6 13			
Dundee	13 3 0 4 9 10 2 2 2 11 8 12			
Motherwell	13 2 3 2 9 6 2 1 3 7 9 12			
Dunfermline	13 1 2 3 11 14 3 2 2 9 7 12			
Arbroath	14 1 1 5 9 15 2 4 1 11 9 11			
Clyde	13 3 1 3 7 10 1 2 3 7 19 11			
St. Johnstone	13 1 2 4 6 13 2 1 3 7 9 9			
Partick	13 2 1 3 8 8 1 2 4 6 16 9			
Morton	12 1 3 3 8 10 1 1 3 3 5 8			
East Fife	13 1 1 5 5 10 2 1 3 5 8 8			
Falkirk	13 0 4 2 8 11 0 1 6 3 16 5			

SCOTTISH DIVISION 2	HOME	Goals	AWAY	Goals
P W D L F A W D L F A Pts				
Airdrie	16 7 1 0 22 1 5 1 2 18 12 26			
Hamilton	16 4 2 2 13 11 6 2 0 17 8 24			
Berwick	17 5 4 0 15 6 4 1 3 14 8 23			
Kilmarnock	15 6 1 1 24 12 4 1 2 13 11 22			
Alloa	15 4 1 1 9 4 5 2 2 20 12 21			
Stirling A.	16 6 0 1 21 8 3 1 5 12 14 19			
Queen o' Sth	16 5 1 2 19 12 3 2 3 11 10 19			
Raith	16 4 0 3 12 13 3 3 3 16 10 17			
St. Mirren	14 3 1 3 19 17 4 1 2 18 14 16			
East Stirling	15 4 1 4 16 12 3 0 3 13 11 15			
Queens Park	15 4 0 4 6 11 3 1 3 14 16 15			
Clydebank	13 2 2 3 11 8 3 1 2 8 6 13			
Albion Rovers	15 1 2 4 10 13 4 1 3 10 13 13			
Stranraer	17 2 2 5 13 19 2 3 3 10 15 13			
Montrose	14 4 1 1 18 10 0 2 6 11 21 11			
Cowdenbeath	17 2 3 4 19 22 2 0 6 12 28 11			
Stenhousemuir	16 3 1 4 15 15 1 1 6 6 19 10			
Forfar	14 1 2 4 7 13 0 1 6 5 22 5			
Brechin	17 0 0 9 5 31 0 1 7 10 24 1			

And look where they finished . . .

Top and bottom teams at the end of the 1973/74 season - First Division: Leeds (62 pts), Liverpool (57), Derby County (48). Relegated - Southampton (36), Manchester United (32), Norwich City (29). Second Division: Middlesbrough (66), Luton Town (60), Carlisle United (49). Relegated - Crystal Palace (34).

Preston North End (31), Swindon Town (25). Third Division: Oldham Athletic (62), Bristol Rovers (61), York City (61). Relegated - Cambridge United (35), Shrewsbury Town (31), Southport (28), Rochdale (21). Fourth Division: Peterborough United (65), Gillingham (62), Colchester United (60), Bury (59). To re-apply - Crewe Alexandra (38).

Doncaster Rovers (36), Workington (35), Stockport County (34). Scottish First Division: Celtic (53), Hibernian (49), Rangers (48). Relegated - East Fife (24), Falkirk (22). Second Division: Airdrieonians (60), Kilmarnock (58), Hamilton (55). Bottom two Forfar Athletic (18), Brechin (14).



Players Ratings

- 10 — Out of this world
- 9 — Outstanding
- 8 — Excellent
- 7 — Good
- 6 — Adequate
- 5 — Off form
- 4 — Poor

Match ratings

- ★★★★★ A classic
- ★★★★ Good value
- ★★★ Satisfactory
- ★★ Dull
- ★ Waste of money



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NUNEATON BOROUGH (0) 0
 Att: 4,106
Northwich: Ryan 7, Ritchie 8, Nieman 8, ★O'NEILL 9, Forshaw 7, Jones 7, Braithwaite 7, Sromek 8, Smith 8 (sub. Hall), Bailey 8, Collier 8.
Nuneaton: ★HALL, K 9, Farndon 7, Cross 6, Shotton 7, Fallon 7, Gray 7, Stockley 7, Sugrue 6, Gallagher 6, Smithers 6, Holt 6 (sub. Campbell 7).
 Referee: G. Flint (Kirkby in Ashfield)
 Match Rating: ★★

Tuesday, Nov. 27

FA CUP First Round Replay

CHESTERFIELD (2) 2 (Green 31, Salmons 41)
GRIMSBY (1) 3 (Moore 43, Drinkell 78, Kilmore 80)
 Att: 7,820
Chesterfield: Tingay 6, Tarrt 6, O'Neill 6, Ridley 7, Green 6, Kowalski 6, Birch 5, Moss 6, Walker 7, ★SALMONS 8, Crawford 5.
Grimsby: Batch 6, Stone 7, Moore 6, ★WATERS 8, Wigginton 7, Crombie 6, Brolly 7, Ford 6 (sub. Kilmore), Drinkell 6, Mitchell 6, Cumming 7.
 Referee: J. D. Hough (Macclesfield)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

HUDDERSFIELD (0) 0
DARLINGTON (1) 1 (Stalker 34)
 Att: 8,084
Huddersfield: Starling 6, ★BROWN 8, Robinson 6, Stanton 6, Sutton 6, Topping 6, Laverick 5, Purdie 6, Fletcher 5, Robins 5, Cowling 5.
Darlington: Owers 7, Nattress 7, Cochrane 6, Ball 6, Craig 7, ★SMITH 8, McLean 7, Charlton 6, Stalker 7, Taylor 7, Ellis 6.
 Referee: C. N. Seel (Carlisle)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★
 Sending Off: Starling (Huddersfield)

ROTHERHAM (1) 2 (Green 9, Stancliffe 52)
MORECAMBE (0) 0
 Att: 5,671
Rotherham: Mountford 6, Forrest 7, Breckin 7, Rhodes 6, Stancliffe 7, Green 7, Finney 7, McEwan 6, Gwyther 7, ★FERN 8, Nix 7.
Morecambe: Byram 6, Farrell 6, Walsh 7, Foster 7, Street 6, Moran 6, ★DARLING 8, Clayton 7, Clarke 6 (sub. Stanley), Parry 7, McLachlan 7.
 Referee: D. Owen (Wirral)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

PLYMOUTH (0) 0
COLCHESTER (0) 1 (Allinson 100)
 After Extra Time
 Att: 6,926
Plymouth: Crudgington 6, James 6, McNeill 7, Randell 6, Foster 7, Phillipson-Masters 5, Hodges 7.

Cooper 5, ★SIMS 8, Bason 7, Graves 6.
Colchester: Walker 7, Cook 6, Packer 6, Leslie 7, Wright 6, Doman 7, Hodge 6, Gough 7, Foley 6, Lee 7, ★ALLINSON 8.
 Referee: M. Baker (Wolverhampton)
 Match Rating: ★★

WIMBLEDON (1) 4 (Leslie 14, 84, Parsons 25, Dziadulewicz 67)
GILLINGHAM (1) 2 (Price 15, 85)
 Att: 4,612
Wimbledon: Goddard 7, Briley 6, Jones 6, Galliers 6, Bowgett 6, Downes 6, Dziadulewicz 7.
★PARSONS 8, Leslie 7 (sub. Denny), Cork 6, Lewington 6.
Gillingham: Hillyard 6, Young 6 (sub. Funnell 6), Barker 6, Overton 6, Weatherley 6, Crabbe 6, Nicholl 7, White 6, ★PRICE 8, Westwood 7, Richardson 6.
 Referee: A. Gray (Gt. Yarmouth)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

Wednesday, Nov. 28

FA CUP First Round Replay

WIGAN (0) 2 (Gore 51, Corrigan 59)
BLACKPOOL (0) 0
 Att: 14,589
Wigan: ★BROWN 9, Fretwell 6, Hinnigan 7, Gore 7, Methven 6, Davids 6, Corrigan 7, Wright 8, Houghton 7, Quinn 7, Urquhart 6 (sub. Moore).
Blackpool: ★HESFORD 9, Gardner 6, Pashley 6, McEwan 7, Ashurst 5, Harrison 7, Hockaday 6, Doyle 6, Spence 7, Kellow 8, Weston 6 (sub. Bamber).
 Referee: K. McNally (South Wirral)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★
 Sending Off: Ashurst (Blackpool)

Division Three

HULL (0) 0
CARLISLE (1) 2 (Winstanley 29, Bonnyman 85)

Att: 6,657
Hull: Blackburn 6, Hood 5, Haig 6, Hawker 6, Dobson 5, Nisbet 6, Roberts 5, Moss 5, Edwards 5, ★BANNISTER 7, Farley 6.
Carlisle: Swinburne 6, Hoolickin 6, Winstanley 7, MacDonald 6, Ludlam 7, Parker 7, McVitie 6, Bonnyman 7, ★BANNON 8, Hamilton 7, Staniforth 7.
 Referee: T. Mills (Barnsley)
 Match Rating: ★★

SCOTTISH

Premier Division

PARTICK THISTLE (1) 1 (McAdam 25)
DUNDEE UNITED (1) 1 (Sturrock 19)
 Att: 4,000
Partick: ★ROUGH 8, McKinnon 5 (sub. Mackie 6), Whittaker 6, Gibson 5, Campbell 6, Anderson 6, Doyle 7, Melrose 7, O'Hara 6, McAdam 7, Park 7.
Dundee Utd: McAlpine 7, Stark 6, Kopel 6, Murray 7, Hegarty 7, Narey 7, Bannion 7, ★STURROCK 8, Pettigrew 7, Holt 6, Kirkwood 6.
 Referee: J. Wales (Cumbernauld)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

Friday, Nov. 30

Division Four

STOCKPORT (1) 2 (Henson, pen 2, Sword 77)
CREWE (0) 1 (Scott 75)
 Att: 3,006
Stockport: Lawson 6, Rutter 6, Sherlock 6, Henson 7, Czuczman 6, ★FOGARTY 8, Lovell 6, Bradd 7, Sword 7, Park 5 (sub. Galvin 6), Chapman 6.
Crewe: Felgate 6, Wilkinson 5, Bowers 7, Hunter 6, ★SCOTT 8, Prohett 5, Lewis 6, Guy 7, Nelson 6, Coyne 5, Ashworth 7.
 Referee: P. Willis (Durham)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

TRANMERE (1) 2 (Evans 28, Lumby 49)
TORQUAY (0) 0
 Att: 2,158
Tranmere: Johnson 6, Mathias 6, Flood 6, Bramhall 7, Edwards 6, Evans 7, O'Neil 7, Parry 5 (sub. Mungall 6), ★LUMBY 8, Beamish 7, Peplow 6.
Torquay: Turner 6, Pethard 6, Ritchie 5, ★WILSON 7, Bourne 6, Sermanni 5, Davis 5 (sub. Smith), Lawrence 6, Cooper 6, Twitchin 5, Murphy 6.
 Referee: V. Callow (Solihull)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

SCUNTHORPE (2) 2 (Oates 13, 44)
ROCHDALE (0) 0
 Att: 1,771
Scunthorpe: Gordon 6, ★DAVY 8, Peacock 6, Deere 7, Dall 6, Oates 7, Cowling 7, Cannack 7, Kingley 6 (sub. Kavanagh 6), Partridge 6, Stewart 6.
Rochdale: Watson 6, Hallows 6, Snookes 7, Weir 6, Hart 6, Bannion 6, Esser 7, ★WANN 8, Seal 7, O'Loughlin 6, Jones 6 (sub. McDermott 6).
 Referee: K. Baker (Rugby)
 Match Rating: ★★

LINCOLN (1) 3 (Bell 44, Harford 53, Hobson 75)
HARTLEPOOL (1) 3 (Lawrence 4, 58, Hampton 59)
 Att: 3,414
Lincoln: Grotier 6, Guest 5, Neale 7, Watson 5, Saunders 6, Peake 6, Hobson 6, Sunley 6, Harford 7, Bell 8, ★CARR, D 9.
Hartlepool: Burleigh 7, Sweeney 7, Carr, P 6, Lawrence 8, Higgins 5, Haire 6, Gorrie 6 (sub. Houchen 7), Lodwick 6, ★NEWTON 9, Harding 7, Hampton 8.
 Referee: H. R. Robinson (Woodbridge, Suffolk)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

Saturday, Dec. 1

Division One

BOLTON (0) 1 (Greaves 90)
BRISTOL CITY (0) 1 (Rodgers 46)



Steve Copell, who scored Manchester United's winner at Tottenham six minutes from time, clears as Spurs' Gordon Smith closes in.

Att: 12,074

Bolton: McDonagh 6, Burke 6,
★**NICHOLSON 8**, Greaves 6, Jones
6, Walsh 7, Morgan 7, Whatmore 5,
Gowling 6 (sub. Carter 6), Cantello 6,
McNab 6.
Bristol City: Shaw 6, Sweeney 7,
Whitehead 6, Gow 6, Rodgers 6,
★**MERRICK 8**, Fitzpatrick 7, Tainton
6, Royle 6, Mann 6, Garland 7.
Referee: J. E. Bray (Hinckley)
Match Rating: ★

BRIGHTON (1) 2 (Ward 26, Clarke
46)

DERBY (0) 0

Att: 22,980

Brighton: Moseley 6, Stevens 7,
Williams 7, Horton 7, Foster 7,
Suddaby 7, Ryan 6, Ward 8, Clarke 7,
★**LAWRENSON 9**, O'Sullivan 6
Derby: McKellar 6, Langan 6, Buckley
6, Daly 6, Webb 5, Osgood 5, Emery
5, ★**POWELL 7**, Duncan 5, Bartlett 5
(sub. McCaffery 5), Clark 5.
Referee: K. Salmon (Barnet, Herts.)
Match Rating: ★★

COVENTRY (1) 4 (Ferguson 10, 50,
62, 70)

IPSWICH (0) 1 (Wark, pen 68)

Att: 16,439

Coventry: Sealey 8, Coop 6,
McDonald 6, Gooding 6, Holton 7,
Gillespie 7, Hutchison 6, Wallace 7,
★**FERGUSON 9**, Blair 6, Hunt 7
Ipswich: Cooper 6, Burley 6, Butcher
5, ★**MILLS 8**, Osman 6, Beattie 6,
Wark 6, Muhren 6, Mariner 6,
D'Avray 6, Gates 7
Referee: D. Shaw (Sandbach)
Match Rating: ★★

LEEDS (1) 1 (Hird 38)

CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 0

Att: 21,330

Leeds: Lukic 7, Cherry 7, Stevenson 6,
Hamson 6, Hart 7, Greenhoff 6,
★**GRAY 8**, Hird 7, Connor 7, Curtis
6, Graham 7.
Crystal Palace: Burridge 6,
Hinshelwood 6, Sansom 7, Nicholson
7, ★**CANNON 8**, Gilbert 6, Murphy 6
(sub. Kember 6), Francis 7, Walsh 6,
Swindley 6, Hilaire 6.
Referee: C. N. Seel (Carlisle)
Match Rating: ★★

LIVERPOOL (2) 4 (McDermott 5,
Hansen 13, Johnson 73, Kennedy, R
84)

MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 0

Att: 39,885

Liverpool: Clemence 8, Neal 8,
Kennedy, A 7, Thompson 7, Kennedy,
R 8, Hansen 8, Daiglish 7, Case 7,
Johnson 8, ★**MCDERMOTT 9**,
Souness 7.
Middlesbrough: Platt 8, Craggs 7,
Peters 7, Johnston 6 (sub. Shearer 7),
Ashcroft 8, ★**McANDREW 9**,
Hodgson 7, Proctor 6, Nattrass 6,
Jankovic 7, Armstrong 7.
Referee: M. Baker (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★★

MANCHESTER CITY (1) 2 (Palmer,
R 40, Deyna 89)

WOLVES (2) 3 (Gray 18, Hibbitt 41,
Daniel 55)

Att: 33,894

Man City: Corrigan 6, Ranson 5,
Donachie 6, Booth 5, Caton 5,
Stepanovic 6 (sub. Lee 6),
★**BENNETT 8**, Daley 6, Palmer, R 6,
Henry 6, Deyna 6.
Wolves: Bradshaw 7, Palmer, G 7,
Parkin 7, Daniel 8, Hughes 6, Berry 8,
★**HIBBITT 9**, Carr 7, Gray 7,
Richards 7, Thomas 8.
Referee: G. Flint (Kirkby in Ashfield)
Match Rating: ★★

NORWICH (0) 1 (Bond, pen 88)

ASTON VILLA (1) 1 (Evans 21)

Att: 15,885

Norwich: Keelan 6, Bond 6, Downs 6,
Mendham 7, Brown 6, Powell 7,
Robson 7, Reeves 7, Fashanu 6,
★**PADDON 8**, Peters 7.
Aston Villa: Rimmer 7, Swain 6, Pejic
6, Evans 7, McNaught 6, Mortimer 6,
Bremner 7, ★**LITTLE 8**, Geddis 7,
Cowans 6, Shaw 6.
Referee: A. D. Cox (South Croydon)
Match Rating: ★★
Sendings Off: Fashanu (Norwich)
Mortimer (Villa)

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NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 1
(Birtles 89)

ARSENAL (1) 1 (Stapleton 4)

Att: 27,925

Nottm. Forest: Shilton 6, Anderson
5, ★**BURNS 8**, Lloyd 6, Gray 6,
O'Neill 6, McGovern 6, O'Hare 5,
Birtles 7, Francis 7, Robertson 7
Arsenal: Jennings 7, Devine 7,
★**O'LEARY 8**, Walford 7, Nelson 7,
Price 7, Talbot 7, Gitting 7, Rix 7,
Sunderland 7, Stapleton 7
Referee: A. Saunders (Newcastle)
Match Rating: ★★

SOUTHAMPTON (1) 3 (Boyer 19,
89, Channon 88)

STOKE (0) 1 (Irvine 68)

Att: 20,095

Southampton: Wells 7, Golac 6,
Peach 6, Williams 7, Watson 7,
Nicholl 6, ★**BALL 8**, Boyer 7,
Channon 7, Holmes 6, Hebbard 6
Stoke: Jones 7, Evans 6, Scott 7,
Johnson 6, Dodd 7, Doyle 6, Heath 7,
Irvine 6, ★**O'CALLAGHAN 8**, Crooks
7, Randall 6 (sub. Chapman)
Referee: M. J. Taylor (Kent)
Match Rating: ★★

TOTTENHAM (1) 1 (Hodde 31)

MANCHESTER UNITED (0) 2

(Macari 61, Coppell 87)

Att: 51,309

Spurs: Aleksic 7, Hughton 7,
McAllister 6, Pratt 8, Smith 7,
Perryman 7, Ardiles 7, Jones 8,
Armstrong 8, Hoddle 8, ★**VILLA 9**.
Man Utd: Bailey 8, Nicholl 8, Grimes
7, McIlroy 8, Moran 7, Buchan 8,
Coppell 8, Wilkins 8, Jordan 7,
★**MACARI 9**, Thomas 7

Referee: A. Grey (Norfolk)

Match Rating: ★★

WBA (1) 1 (Regis 12)

EVERTON (1) 1 (King 15)

Att: 21,294

WBA: Godden 6, ★**BATSON 7**,
Pendrey 6, Brown, T 5, Wile 6,
Robertson 6, Robson 5, Brown, A 6,
Regis 6, Owen 6, Barnes 6
Everton: Hodge 6, Gidman 6, Bailey
7, Wright 6, Higgins 7, Ross 6,
Hartford 6, Stanley 5, Latchford 5,
Kidd 6, ★**KING 8**.
Referee: W. Bombruff (Worcester)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Two

BIRMINGHAM (0) 1 (Gallagher 76)

LEICESTER (1) 2 (Smith 15,
Henderson 71)

Att: 25,748

Birmingham: Wealands 6, Lees 6,
Dennis 6, Curbishley 5, Gallagher 7,
★**TODD 8**, Towers 6 (sub. Lynex 6),
Worthington 7, Bertschin 6, Dillon 5,
Johnston 7
Leicester: Wallington 7, Williams 6,
Rufe 7, Byrne 7, ★**MAY 9**, O'Neill 8,
Lineker 7, Henderson 7, Young 7,
Strickland 6 (sub. Welsh 7), Smith 6.
Referee: D. E. Clarke (Accrington)
Match Rating: ★★

BRISTOL ROVERS (0) 0

BURNLEY (0) 0

Att: 5,273

Bristol Rovers: ★**JONES 9**, Bater 6,
Williams 8, Mabbutt 8, Taylor 6,
Aitken 7, Barrowclough 6 (sub. Penny
6), Parkinson 7, White 6, Dennehy 7,

Pulis 7

Burnley: Stevenson 8, Arins 6,
Brennan 7, Burke 7, Overson 6, Dixon
7, ★**JAMES 9**, Dobson 7, Hamilton
7, Young 6, Smith 7
Referee: A. Saddle (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★

CAMBRIDGE (1) 2 (Spriggs 31,
Murray 58)

QPR (1) 1 (Bowles 38)

Att: 8,083

Cambridge: Webster 7, Turner 6,
Smith 7, Stringer 7, Fallon 7, O'Neill
6, Biley 6, ★**SPRIGGS 9**, Reilly 8,
Gibbins 7, Murray 6
QPR: Woods 7, ★**SHANKS 8**,
Wallace 6, McCreery 6, Hazell 6,
Wicks 7, Bowles 7, Roeder 6, Allen 7,
Goddard 7, Hill 6 (sub. Waddock 6).
Referee: G. Napthine (Leics.)
Match Rating: ★★

CARDIFF (0) 1 (Bishop 55)

OLDHAM (0) 0

Att: 7,061

Cardiff: ★**DAVIES 8**, Dwyer 7,
Sullivan 6, Campbell 7, Pontin 5,
Thomas 6, Elliott 5, Bishop 7, Moore
5, Ronson 6, Lewis 6
Oldham: McDonnell 6, Wood 6, Blair
5, Keegan 6, Clements 7, Holt 7,
Valentine 7, ★**HALOM 8**, Steel 5,
Stainrod 6 (sub. Hurst), Atkinson 6
Referee: S. Bates (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★

CHARLTON (1) 1 (Gritt 14)

WEST HAM (0) 0

Att: 19,021

Charlton: Wood 6, Hazell 6, Shaw 6,
Tydemann 7, Berry 6, Madden 7,
Powell 6, Jacobsen 7, Hales 8,
Walker 6, ★**GRITT 9**.
West Ham: Parkes 6, Stewart 6,
Lampard 5, Bonds 6, Martin 6,
Holland 6 (sub. Neighbour 6), Allen 5,
Pearson 5, Cross 7, Brooking 6,
★**DEVONSHIRE 8**.
Referee: T. D. Spencer (Wiltshire)
Match Rating: ★★

CHELSEA (1) 2 (Droy 18, Britton 65)

PRESTON (0) 0

Att: 21,192

Chelsea: Borota 7, Locke 7, Wilkins 7,
Burnstead 7, ★**DROY 9**, Chivers 6,
Britton 7, Fillery 6, Frost 7, Walker 7,
Harris 8
Preston: Tunks 7, Taylor 7, Wilson 6,
Burns 6 (sub. Coleman 6), ★**BAXTER 8**,
O'Riordan 6, Bell 6, Haslegrave 6,
Elliott 6, McGee 6, Bruce 7
Referee: L. Burden (Corfe Mullen,
Dorset)
Match Rating: ★★

NEWCASTLE (1) 2 (Withe 32,
Rafferty 82)

FULHAM (0) 0

Att: 23,481

Newcastle: Hardwick 7, Carney 6,
Mitchell 6, Martin 7, Barton 6, Boam
7, Shoulder 7, Cartwright 7, Withe 7,
Rafferty 7, ★**HIBBITT 8**.
Fulham: Digweed 7, Peters 6, Strong
7, Money 6, Hatter 7, Gale 6,
★**GREENAWAY 8**, Beck 7, Guthrie
6, Lock 7, Davies 6
Referee: K. Warmesley (Blackpool)
Match Rating: ★★

ORIENT (1) 2 (Jennings 45, Taylor
81)

SUNDERLAND (0) 1 (Robson 75)

Att: 6,582

Orient: Day 7, Fisher 6, Ruffey 6,
Taylor 7, Gray 6, Moores 6, Chiedozie
7, Hughton 7, Mayo 7, Jennings 7,
★**COATES 8**.
Sunderland: Turner 7, Whitworth 6,
Bolton 5, Clarke 6, Elliott 7, Buckley
7, Arnott 7, ★**CUMMINS 8**, Hawley
5 (sub. Brown 6), Robson 6, Dunn 6
Referee: T. G. Bune (Sussex)
Match Rating: ★★

SHREWSBURY (1) 1 (Keay 30)

LUTON (2) 2 (Stein 34, Hatton 37)

Att: 8,559

Shrewsbury: ★**MULHEARN 8**, King



Four goals for Coventry's Mick Ferguson in the 4-1 hammering of Ipswich at Highfield Road. Ipswich manager Bobby Robson said earlier in the week he would pay £750,000 for Ferguson if he did well against the Ipswich defence. After the game an angry-looking Robson told reporters: "I've absolutely nothing to say."

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French star for Munich

FRENCH World Cup defender Marius Tresor is set to move to Germany.

His transfer from French First Division club Marseilles to West Germany's Bayern Munich is expected to go through before a December 10 deadline.

Tresor (29), holder of 42 caps for France, said: "I had several meetings with Bayern and we agreed over the financial terms. I also spoke with Marseilles directors, who seemed agreeable to the move."

Providing no difficulties arose, Tresor was due to play his last game for Marseilles at Nantes on December 2.

His contract with Bayern will last two or three years and will include a clause making him available to play for France.

Tresor was out of the game through injury recently and missed the France-Czechoslovakia game in the European Championships.

Grip tightens

REAL SOCIEDAD of San Sebastian kept their hold on the leadership of the Spanish League, edging out Espanol 2-1 in Barcelona.

Sporting of Gijon, undisputed leaders until two weeks ago, slipped down to third place after only a 1-1 draw with last year's champions, Real Madrid, in Gijon.

Keegan gets the winner

HAMBURG consolidated their lead in the West German Federal Soccer League, bouncing back from 0-2 at half-time to win 3-2 against Stuttgart.

Stuttgart took a seemingly comfortable lead through Hermann Oehlicher in the 30th and Georg Voelkert in the 39th minutes.

But Horst Hrubesch scored for the home team in the 50th minute. William Hartwig and England's Kevin Keegan rounded off the result, scoring less than a minute apart.

Bayern Munich grabbed the second spot from Borussia Dortmund, beating them 4-2 in front of 45,000 Munich home fans.

FC Cologne lost 3-0 to Eintracht Frankfurt watched by Tony Woodcock, their new 2.5 million marks signing from Forest, who earlier had attracted 4,000 to his first training session.

Not so bad

FORM deserted Denmark in the European Championship qualifying matches, but some of their pride was restored when they beat Spain 3-1 in a friendly played in Cadiz. A 15,000 crowd saw E. Larsen (2) and Berthelsen score for Denmark with Mesa replying for Spain.

Hats off . . .

MEXICO drew 1-1 with Finland in an exhibition match that served as a pointer for the preliminary round of the 1982 World Cup. Scorers were Medina for Mexico and Nieminen for Finland.

Inter open points gap

AVELLINO held Inter Milan to a scoreless draw on Sunday but Inter stretched their lead in the Italian First Division by another point.

The battle between second-placed AC Milan and Napoli was suspended in the 48th minute because of fog. Juventus beat Cagliari 1-0, Catanzaro downed Lazio 2-1, Fiorentina drew with Perugia 0-0, Pescara drew with Bologna 0-0, Roma beat Ascoli 1-0 and Torino defeated Udinese 1-0.

The results left Inter Milan with 16 championship points after 10 games, AC Milan on 13, followed by Torino, Cagliari and Juventus with 12 each.

Franco Causio provided the winning margin for Juventus by beating the Cagliari defence in the 75th minute to score the only goal in a game also slowed by fog.

Warning shots . . .



Graziani of Torino

ITALY defeated Switzerland 2-0 in a friendly with goals from Torino striker Francesco Graziani and midfielder Marco Tardelli of Juventus . . . a sign of things to come in next year's European Championships?

Super Spartak

MOSCOW Spartak won the Soviet soccer championships for the tenth time, defeating Rostov-on-Don Army Sports Club 3-2 in the final match. Spartak last won the title in 1969.

The team ended the championship series with 50 points, followed by Donetsk Shakhter, who defeated Moscow Torpedo 2-0.

For Moscow Spartak, fifth last season, Vladimir Bukiyevsky, Yuri Gavrilov and Alexander Mirzoyan scored in the final match.

Vitaly Starukhin, of Donetsk Shakhter, finished the series with 26 goals, the third highest in the history of the competition. Dynamo Kiev finished third in the series with 47 points, followed by conquerors of Liverpool, Dynamo Tbilisi, with 46.

West Germany back on form

WEST GERMANY underlined their recovery to top form by defeating the Soviet Union 3-1 in Tbilisi in an international friendly.

The West Germans, dogged by a goal drought throughout the 1978 World Cup and for most of last season, comfortably defeated the Russians before a 35,000 crowd.

Carl Heinz Rummenigge scored in the 34th and 62nd minutes to put West Germany

Results

France

Laval 1, Lyon 2; Monaco 3, Metz 0; Brest 1, Lille 1; Paris St. G. 1, Bastia 1; Lens 2, Bordeaux 1; Nancy 1, Nice 2; St. Etienne 3, Nimes 1; Strasbourg 2, Valenciennes 1; Sochaux 3, Marseille 0; Nantes 3, Angers 1.

Top standings (after 17 matches):

Monaco 27; Nantes 25; St. Etienne 23; Sochaux 22; Strasbourg 21; Nimes 20.

West Germany

Bayer Leverkusen 3, Bochum 1; FC Kaiserslautern 3, Werder Bremen 1; Hamburg SV 3, Stuttgart 2; Eintracht Frankfurt 3, FC Cologne 0; Duisberg 2, Bayer Uerdingen 2; Hertha Berlin 1, 1860 Munich 1; Bayern Munich 4, Borussia Dortmund 2; Borussia Moenchengladbach 2, Fortuna Dusseldorf 1; Schalke 04 1, Eintracht Braunschweig 0.

Top standings (after 14 matches):

Hamburg SV 20; Bayern Munich 19; Eintracht Frankfurt, Borussia Dortmund 18; Schalke 04, Borussia Moenchengladbach 17; FC Cologne 16; Stuttgart 15; FC Kaiserslautern, Bochum, Bayer Uerdingen, Bayer Leverkusen 13.

Yugoslavia

Željeznica 1, Osijek 1; Vojvodina 1, Sloboda 0, Red Star 2, Partizan 0; Radnicki 2, Napredak 0, Hadjuk 1, Sarajevo 0; Olympia 3, Borac 0; Dynamo 5, Rijeka 1; Vardar 2, Celik 0; Buducnost 2, Velez 0.

Top standings (after 16 matches):

Radnicki, Red Star, Sarajevo, Hadjuk 21; Velez, Napredak 19; Vardar, Olympia 17.

East Germany

FC Vorwaerts Frankfurt A.D. Oder 2, Chemie Halle 2; FC Jena 3, Sachsenring Zwickau 0; Dynamo Berlin 1, Rotweiss Erfurt 0; Stahl Riesa 1, Dynamo Dresden 3; Chemie Leipzig 1, FC Lokomotive Leipzig 5; Wismut Aue 2, FC Karl Marx Stadt 2; FC Magdeburg 5, Union Berlin 1.

Top standings (after 10 matches):

Dynamo Dresden 18; Dynamo Berlin, FC Jena 15; Chemie Halle 14; FC Magdeburg 13; Chemie Leipzig 11; FC Lok. Leipzig 10; FC Vorwaerts Frankfurt 9.

WORLD ROUND-UP

firmly in command and Fischer added the third in the 66th.

The Russians, who included four new players in an experimental team aimed for the Moscow Olympics, got their only goal nine minutes before the final whistle through Makovikov.

Haiti champs

HAITI are the Caribbean soccer champions following a 1-0 win over Surinam. Runners-up are St. Vincent.

New trophy for youngsters

U.E.F.A. has announced a third competition for national Under-21 sides — the matches to be played at the same time as the final tournament of the World Cup.

Eight groups of four will be qualified and the groups will be formed on January 16 next year in Rome.

Belgium

Cerkel Brugge 2, Lokeren 4; Berchem 2, Beerschot 0; Anderlecht 5, Winterslag 0; Waterschei 1, Molenbeek 1; Waregem 3, Charleroi 0; Bevern 2, Club Brugge 1; Liege 1, Berengen 2; Lierse 3, Standard 1; Hasselt 1, Antwerp 5.

Greece

AEK 5, Panionios 2; Ioannina 4, Doxa Dramas 1; Kavalla 0, Heracles 0; Kastoria 2, Rhodes 2; Corinth 0, Ethnikos 3; Larissa 0, Paok 2; Olympiakos 1, Apollon 0; Ofi 0, Panathinaikos 3; Ares 1, Panachaiki 0.

Top standings (after 8 matches):

Olympiakos 13; Larissa, Paok, Ares 12; Ethnikos 11.

Portugal

Porto 3, Belenenses 0; Benfica 1, Boavista 2; Rio Ave 1, Sporting 3; Beira Mar 3, Estoril 1; Guimaraes 2, Leiria 1; Setubal 4, Varzim 0, Portimonense 1, Espinho 1; Maritimo 0, Braga 0.

Top standings (after 11 matches):

Porto 19; Benfica 16; Sporting (10 games) and Belenenses 15; Guimaraes 13, Espinho 12.

Switzerland

Grasshoppers 0, Zurich 0; Basel 7, Lugano 0, Chasso 3, St. Gall 0; Servette 2, Sion 3; Young Boys 3, Neuchatel Xamax 2; La Chaux de Fonds 0, Lucerne 1, Lausanne 4, Cheneois 0.

Top standings (after 13 matches):

Grasshoppers 20; Zurich 19; Servette, Basel 17, Sion, Lucerne 15.

Austria

Rapid 1, Sportklub 1; Vienna 0, Salzburg 1, Admira 2, Sturm Graz 0, Voest Linz 3, Austria 1; Grazer AK 0, Lask 0.

Top standings (after 15 matches):

Lask, Grazer AK 20, Austria 19; Salzburg 17, Voest Linz 15.

Bulgaria

CSKA 1, Slavia 1; Levski 5, Lokomotiv Sofia 1; Minyor 2, Lokomotiv Plovdiv 1; Chernomorets 2, Spartak 1; Cherno More 0, Beroe 0; Sliven 2, Marek 0; Trakia 1, Botev 0.



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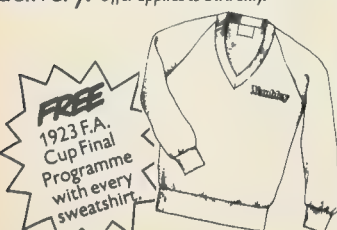
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Bobby's babes

Talent-spotter Calder's the best in the business

ABERDEEN's Bobby Calder has never kicked a ball for the club – but he must be their best ever signing.

The reason is that in a long association as chief scout at Pittodrie – he celebrates 30 years' service in January – Bobby has discovered an incredible amount of talent.

In transfers alone it amounts to somewhere around £2 million.

Martin Buchan . . . Arthur Graham . . . Charlie Cooke . . . Willie Young – just four well-known names he brought to the club for around £30 apiece. They later went on to carve out a career in the English First Division.



By the very nature of the job, club scouts tend to be anonymous figures. But such is Calder's success that his face is one of the best known on the Scottish scene.

A former grade one referee, he turned to scouting when he hung up his whistle and is now one of the best talent spotters in the business.

"I've had plenty of offers to leave Aberdeen and join other clubs," says Bobby. "But such is the freedom I get I would take it hard working for anyone else."

"In my time with the Dons I have scouted for eight managers starting with Dave Halliday through to the present boss Alex Ferguson.

"If I see a player I think can make it, I can go and sign him without reference to anyone. That is the way I like it."

"It's all a question of judgement. I remember being involved in a race with Tommy Docherty, then boss of Aston Villa, to sign a youngster by the name of Tommy Craig. Celtic had been in but lost interest because he was too small."

"My view is 'if he is good enough, he's big enough' and, of course, Aberdeen eventually

John McMaster . . . Calder moved in quickly to sign this key player for Aberdeen.



Willie Young . . . the giant Arsenal defender was spotted by Calder as a raw 16-year-old at Port Seton



Bobby Calder . . . totally committed to the cause of Aberdeen.

signed Tommy to Sheffield Wednesday for £140,000.

"Another good signing was a big red-headed 16-year-old centre-half I got from Port Seton. Willie Young later went to Arsenal for £120,000."

In the search for the best of talent, Bobby, now in his mid-seventies takes in an average of three matches a week and he bases his appeal to players, not so much on money, but on opportunity.

"With no one breathing down my neck I have the freedom to move quickly," adds Bobby.

"It's vital to talk with the parents of the boy concerned and I always emphasise the opportunities available at Aberdeen."

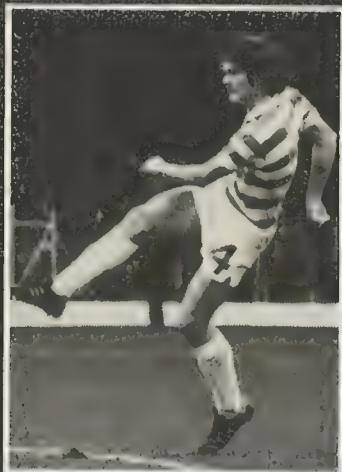
"It has helped me get players like centre-half Willie Garner, Alex McLeish and John McMaster who are all key men in the current side."

"Money comes into it but at that stage it is not all important. The big thing is to convince parents that this is the right club for their boy."

"Of course, speed is the essence and the best example of that is the way I captured goalkeeper Bobby Clark way back in 1965. I heard Rangers were also interested and had arranged an appointment with Clark at 7.45 p.m. I was on his doorstep two hours earlier and had talked Bobby into joining the Dons before Rangers got anywhere near him."

The Clark deal in fact brought Calder an offer from the then Rangers' club chairman, John Lawrence but he turned them down. He was and is totally committed to the cause of Aberdeen, who certainly have good reason to be grateful.

Stein looks to Spain



Roy Aitken... set for call up?

SCOTLAND's two goal defeat against Belgium may be a blessing in disguise for team boss Jock Stein.

Since taking over from the ill-fated Ally McLeod, Stein has been hamstrung by the fact that he had to concentrate on the slim chance of steering the Scots to a place in the European Championship finals.

The defeat in Brussels now relieves him of that problem and Stein can now get down to experimenting to find the right squad to take us to the World Cup finals in Spain in 1982.

Stein now has eight games to

get it right. The two remaining European matches against Belgium and Portugal at Hampden, the three British Championship matches against England, Wales, and Northern Ireland and the three match tour of South America next summer.

For the first time players like St. Mirren goalkeeper Billy Thomson, West Ham's £400,000 full-back Raymond Stewart and Celtic's young midfielder star Roy Aitken also come into the reckoning.

The Scotland chief will also

take a long hard look at the forward positions with a particular eye on Celtic winger Davie Provan and Coventry's Ian Wallace.

And, of course, there remains the great Kenny Dalglish question. Can the Scotland supremo risk dropping Dalglish who despite his great performances for Liverpool still leaves question marks when it comes to playing in the dark blue of Scotland.

For the first time the ball is right at Stein's feet with a place in Spain his main target.

Miller looks South

ABERDEEN skipper Willie Miller seems certain to be the first big star to move south under the freedom of contract deal which will come into operation next season.

Miller has turned down the offer of a new contract and with his option period now nearing its end he will be free to move on to another club.

Admitting he is keen to play in England, the 24-year-old Dons' star says: "It's not just the money. Ambition comes into it as well.

Willie looks to be on the way out — and the Dons value him at £400,000 — Aberdeen are fighting hard to hold on to their other top players.

Manager Alex Ferguson has bombed out Derby County, who have twice asked about top scorer Steve Archibald and Rangers have been showing interest in talented teenage midfielder Alex McLeish.

No, no, Tommy

DUNDEE boss Tommy Gemmill pictured right, having failed in a £100,000 bid to sign Celtic centre-half Roddie MacDonald turned his attention to clansman Ian MacDonald of Carlisle United — with an equal amount of success.

In Roddie's case the clubs agreed terms but the player did not fancy a move to Tayside. Carlisle's Ian will not be moving to Dens Park, either. The £50,000 offer did not match United's value of the player.



Quick march Houston

KILMARNOCK winger Bobby Houston's ordering off against his former club Partick Thistle without even touching the ball was not a record.

That not too proud claim belongs to former Motherwell defender Sam Goodwin who lasted exactly 52 seconds in a match against would you believe Partick Thistle!

Houston, who came on as a substitute against Thistle lasted precisely 60 seconds before taking a swipe at Ian Gibson. He was promptly ordered inside.

Apparently the incident was sparked off by a comment from the Thistle dug out when Houston came on,

Bobby Houston sent off in 52 seconds against his old club Partick Thistle.



ATTENDANCES in Premier Division after thirteen matches is down by just over 23,000.

A total of 901,856 fans paid their way through the turnstiles compared with 925,490 over the same period last season.

Most clubs show an increase. The exceptions are Rangers, who are down 80,000 and Hibs who show a slight decrease.

However, the Scottish League are not unhappy overall.



Jackie's vote

JACKIE McNamara has been named Player of the Year for the second successive year by the Hibs' Supporters' Association. The ex-Celtic star is the first player to have achieved the double and a date will be fixed for his presentation from the association.



Big draw Best

GEORGE Best's debut for Hibs against St. Mirren certainly captured the imagination of the football world.

Requests for press seats came in from Holland, West Germany, France, England and sundry other countries proving yet again the attraction of the extraordinary Irishman.

Hibs' millionaire chairman Tom Hart who is personally picking up the tab for Best's short-term contract has never been one to steer clear of controversy and he's done it yet again.

In his time he has called 'Old Firm' rivals Celtic and Rangers 'cowards' and in one infamous Anglo-Scottish Cup tie labelled Bristol City 'butchers' but that is nothing compared with the headlines he has grabbed in fixing up the former Manchester United star.

Best is being paid £2,000 a match with the added bonus of £5,000 if relegation-threatened Hibs win four games in a row. £13,000 for four games is not bad money by anyone's reckoning.

And by revealing that the cash to pay Best is coming from the Hart family fortune, the Hibs' chairman has effectively stopped the rumblings of discontent among the other Hibs' players, angry over the super star treatment being meted out to George.

It also gave rise to the in-joke in Edinburgh — George Best is not being paid by Hibs but by Harts!

On the move



Ian Ballantyne

RAITH Rovers have signed striker Ian Ballantyne from Dundee United for a fee of £12,000. Ballantyne only joined United from amateurs Queen's Park in the close-season and immediately found himself in the middle of a row after 'Queens' alleged United had tapped the play before his contract was up. The allegation was subsequently found 'not proven' by the Scottish League.



UNITY: NEW TALKS

FURTHER talks on the proposed All-Ireland team are to be held later this season — part of the continuing dialogue between the Irish F.A. (Northern Ireland) and the Football Association of Ireland (The Republic).

Some Republic officials would like to see a united side competing in the British Championship instead of waiting until the 1984 European Championship or perhaps the 1986 World Cup series in Colombia.

"There are many snags, many obstacles to be overcome," said an Irish F.A. spokesman.

In other words, an all-Ireland team, cherished hopes of so many, looks a long way off — if it ever does materialise.

Meanwhile here's more action from the European Championship tie at Windsor Park, in which Northern Ireland pipped Eire 1-0 with a Gerry Armstrong header . . .



Frank Stapleton gets in a header despite the close attention of Northern Ireland's Gerry Armstrong. Included from left are — Sammy Nelson, Paul McGee, Allan Hunter and Chris Nicholl.

Arsenal at last?

CLIFTONVILLE, now celebrating their centenary, are to invite Arsenal to Belfast at the earliest possible date. They were scheduled to make the trip last August but because of the Charity Shield game against Liverpool at Wembley had to call it off.

"They were on a £10,000 guarantee but this would have to be considerably reduced now. Much of the glamour has gone from the game," said a Cliftonville spokesman.

"When we originally invited them they had won the F.A. Cup and we had collected the Irish Cup. Now interest has faded!"

Cliftonville pioneer football club in Ireland, stage the centenary banquet in Belfast later this month.

Merits of suspension

LINFIELD mid-fielder Peter Dornan, suspended recently for four matches, did not stay at home and mope. Nor did he put in some extra training. Instead Peter a lawyer took himself off with his wife for a continental holiday.

A year ago he embarked on a close-season trek to Nepal. Further long distance safaris are also planned in May.

Cash carrot for Ballymena

BALLYMENA United have been sponsored for £10,000 to win the Irish League Championship. Man behind the scheme is commercial manager Freddie McFaul who has brought more than £100,000 into Irish football over the last three seasons.

With Fiat withdrawing backing for this year's Championship clubs have had to make individual arrangements. Most have been successful too.

Next season, however, it could be different. A multi-national company plan to come in with a deal which could be even more lucrative than the £10,000 Fiat sponsorship.

Give me a chance—Cochrane

MIDDLESBROUGH's £200,000 winger, Terry Cochrane (below), now hopes he will get another chance to play for Northern Ireland again.

Cochrane blotted his copy book against England last year when he pushed his team mate Gerry Armstrong off the ball. Manager, Danny Blanchflower, didn't like this lack of control and Cochrane eventually found himself on the sidelines.

Now there has been a change at the top Cochrane looks forward to a recall — perhaps for the March 26th World Cup tie against Israel.

"I want to get a chance at International level. I know I can prove myself," he says.



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7, Larkin 7, Lindsay 7, Griffin 7, Keay 7, Tong 7, Atkins 7, Biggins 6, Dungworth 6, Maguire 6.
Luton: Findlay 7, Stephens 7, Donaghy 6, Grealish 7, ★**SAXBY 8**, Price 7, Hill 7, West 7, Stein 7, Hatton 7, Moss 6.
Referee: R. A. Banks (Radcliffe)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆

WATFORD (1) 2 (Blissett 10, Bolton, pen 82)
NOTTS COUNTY (1) 1 (O'Brien 27)
 Att: 12,023
Watford: Steele 6, Henderson 6, Harrison 7, Booth 6, Sims 6, Bolton 6, Pollard 7, Blissett 7, Mercer 6, ★**TRAIN 8**, Rostron 7.
Notts County: Avramovic 6, Richards 5, ★**O'BRIEN 7**, Hunt 6, Stubbs 6, Blockley 6, McCulloch 6, Masson 6, Hooks 6, Benjamin 5, Mair 6 (sub. Christie 6).
Referee: M. Bidmead (Chessington, Surrey)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆
Sending Off: Pedro Richards (Notts County)

WREXHAM (0) 1 (McNeil 87)
SWANSEA (0) 0
 Att: 10,651
Wrexham: Davies 8, Darracott 6, Dwyer 7, Davis 6, Jones 7, Fox 7, Vinter 7, Sutton 5, Hill 5, McNeil 7, ★**CARTWRIGHT 9**.
Swansea: Letheren 7, Giles 7, Rushbury 8, Charles 5, Phillips 6, Stevenson 6, Mahoney 6, ★**ATTLEY 9**, James 6, Waddle 7, Callaghan 7.
Referee: N. H. Glover (Chorley)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆

Division Three

SHEFFIELD UNITED (2) 3 (Speight 32, Sabella 41, Bourne, pen 88)
PLYMOUTH (1) 2 (Hodges 38, Randell 68)
 Att: 14,101
Sheff Utd: Conroy 7, Cutbush 7, Tibbott 7, Kenworthy 7, McPhail 7, Matthews 8, Garner 8, Bourne 7, Butlin 6, Speight 7, ★**SABELLA 9**.
Plymouth: Crudgington 8, James 7, Harrison 7, Randell 7, Forster 7, Phillipson-Masters 6, ★**HODGES 9**, Cooper 8, Sims 6, Bason 6, Graves 7.
Referee: T. Farley (Newton Aycliffe)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆

READING (1) 1 (Kearns 8)
BLACKBURN (0) 1 (Crawford 88)
 Att: 5,790
Reading: Death 6, Hetzke 5, White 6, Bowman 6, Shipperley 6, ★**MORELINE 7**, Kearns 6, Kearney 6, Heale 6, Sanchez 4, Joslyn 5.
Blackburn: Arnold 6, Branagan 6, Metcalfe 5, Kendall 6, Keeley 6, Fazackerley 6, ★**BROTHERSTON 8**, Crawford 6, Craig 5, McKenzie 7, Parkes 6.
Referee: D. Hutchinson (Bourn, Cambs)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆

OXFORD (0) 0
GRIMSBY (1) 1 (Kilmore 31)
 Att: 3,361
Oxford: Burton 5, ★**DOYLE 8**, Fogg 5, Briggs 5, Stott 6, Brock 7, Graydon 4, Duncan 6, Cooke 4, White 6, Hobson 5.
Grimsbey: Batch 6, Stone 6, Moore 7, Waters 5, Wiggington 6, Crombie 5, Brolly 6, ★**KILMORE 9**, Drinkell 7 (sub. Liddell), Mitchell 6, Cumming 8.
Referee: R. C. Challis (Kent)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆

MILLWALL (0) 1 (Mehmet 56)
COLCHESTER (2) 2 (Lee 8, Foley 28)
 Att: 7,563
Millwall: Jackson 5, Donaldson 6, Kinsella 6, Chatterton 6, Tagg 5, Blyth 4, Towner 6, Seasman 5, Mitchell 7, Lyons 6, ★**MEHMET 8**.
Colchester: Walker 7, Cook 7, Packer 6, Leslie 6, Wright 6, Downman 6, Hodge 6, Gough 5 (sub. Rowles 6), Foley 7, ★**LEE 8**, Allinson 6.
Referee: D. Letts (Basingstoke)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆



No luck for Birmingham's £150,000 new boy Frank Worthington making his debut for his new club. Birmingham crashed 1-2 at home against Leicester.



Charlton's Steve Gritt (centre) leaves West Ham keeper Phil Parkes and defender Ray Stewart stranded as he heads his sides winning goal in the London derby game.

MANSFIELD (0) 1 (Austin 49)
BLACKPOOL (0) 1 (Hockaday 56)
 Att: 4,324
Mansfield: Arnold 6, Thompson 5, ★**WOOD 8**, Hamilton 6, Bird 5, McClelland 7, Lathan 5, Taylor 6, Austin 6, Mann 6, Allen 5.
Blackpool: Hesford 5, Gardner 6, Pashley 7, McEwan 6, Malone 5 (sub. Bamber), Hemson 6, Hockaday 6, ★**DOYLE 8**, Spence 5, Kellow 5, Weston 6.
Referee: A. Challinor (Rotherham)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆

HULL (0) 1 (Hawker 78)
WIMBLEDON (0) 1 (Cork 87)
 Att: 3,750
Hull: Blackburn 6, Nisbet 5, De Vries 7, Haigh 6, Dobson 7, ★**HAWKER 8**, Roberts 7, Moss 6, Edwards 7, Bannister 6, Farley 5.
Wimbledon: Goddard 7, Briley 7, Jones 7, ★**GALLIERS 8**, Bowgett 6, Downs 6, Dziadulewicz 7, Parsons 6, Leslie 7, Cork 7, Lewington 6.
Referee: L. M. Robinson (Sutton Coldfield)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆

GILLINGHAM (0) 0
SWINDON (0) 0
 Att: 8,029
Gillingham: Hillyard 7, White 6, Barker 6, Overton 6, Weatherly 7, Crabbe 6, ★**HUGHES 8**, Bruce 7, Price 7, Westwood 6, Funnell 6 (sub. Richardson 6).
Swindon: Allan 7, Lewis 7, Ford 6, McHale 6, ★**CARTER 8**, Stroud 7, Miller 7, Kamara 6, Rowland 6, Mayes 6, Williams 6.
Referee: P. G. Reeves (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆

EXETER (0) 1 (Hatch 72)
ROTHERHAM (0) 1 (Giles 88)
 Att: 3,354
Exeter: O'Keefe 7, Mitchell 5, ★**HATCH 9**, Hore 7, Giles 7, Roberts 6, Neville 8, Pearson 7, Rogers 7, Delve 6, Pullar 6.
Rotherham: Mountford 7, Forrest 7, Breckin 7, Rhodes 6, Stancliffe 7, Green 5, ★**FINNEY 9**, McEwan 7, Gwyther 5, Fern 7, Nix 6.
Referee: A. Gunn (Sussex)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆

CHESTER (1) 2 (Rush 7, Phillips 67)
SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (1) 2 (Wylde 25, Curran 50)
 Att: 6,241
Chester: Millington 5, Raynor 6, Walker 4, Storton 5, Cottam 6, Jeffries 5, Sutcliffe 5, Jones 5, ★**RUSH 8**, Phillips 6, Henderson 7.
Sheff Wed: Bolder 6, Blackhall 5, Grant 4, Smith 6, Pickering 5, Hornsby 5, Wylde 7, Porterfield 5 (sub. Johnson 4), Mellor 7, King 6, ★**CURRAN 8**.
Referee: R. Toseland (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆

CARLISLE (1) 3 (Bannon 34, Staniforth 71, 89)
BRENTFORD (0) 1 (Holmes, L 60)
 Att: 4,272
Carlisle: Swinburne 7, Hoolickin 6, Winstanley 5, MacDonald 7, Ludlam 7, Parker 6, McVitie 7, Bonnyman 6, Bannon 7, Hamilton 7, ★**STANIFORTH 8**.
Brentford: Bond 6, Shrubbs 6 (sub. Holmes, B 6), Tucker 6, McNichol 7, Kruse 7, Fraser 7, Carlton 6, Sear 5, Smith 6, Holmes, L 7, ★**PHILLIPS 8**.
Referee: J. Hough (Macclesfield)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆

BURY (1) 2 (Johnson 40, Madden 77)
CHESTERFIELD (0) 0
 Att: 3,369
Bury: Forrest 7, Ritson 7, Whitehead 6, ★**HOWARD 8**, Halford 6, Wilson 6, Madden 6, Waldron 6, Mullen 6, Johnson 6, Hilton 5.
Chesterfield: Tingay 6, Tartt 6, Ridley 6, Green 6, O'Neill 5, Birch 5, Kowalski 7, ★**SALMONS 8**, Moss 6, Walker 6, Crawford 6.
Referee: A. J. Hamill (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★★☆☆

BARNSELEY (1) 1 (Clarke 40)
SOUTHEND (0) 2 (Parker 58, Franklin 87)
 Att: 11,602
Barnsley: Springett 7, Flavell 6, Collins 6, Glavin 7, Hunter 6, McCarthy 6, Banks 6, Clarke 6, ★**AYLOTT 8**, Lester 5 (sub. Riley 6), Pugh 6.
Southend: Cawston 7, Dudley 6, Moody 6, Hadley 7, Stead 7, Pountney 7, Nelson 6 (sub. Franklin), Otulakowski 7, ★**MORRIS 8**, Parker 7, Hull 6.
Referee: R. Chadwick (Darwen)
Match Rating: ★★★

Division Four

YORK (2) 5 (Lorimer 17, 71, Clements 35, Randall 47, McDonald 54)
PORT VALE (1) 1 (Chamberlain, N 37)
 Att: 2,402
York: Neenan 7, Kay 7, James 7, Clements 7, Harrison 7, Ford 8, ★**LORIMER 10**, McDonald 7, Randall 7, Eccles 7, Wellings 7 (sub. Byrne).
Port Vale: Dance 6, Keenan 7, Leese 6, Delgado 6, Griffiths 5, ★**BEECH 8**, Farrell 5 (sub. Chamberlain, M 6), Jones 6, Bromage 7, Chamberlain, N 7, Wright 6.
Referee: N. Midgley (Salford)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

WIGAN (0) 0
NORTHAMPTON (0) 0
 Att: 6,158
Wigan: Brown 7, Fretwell 6, ★**HINNIGAN 8**, Gore 7, Methven 6, Davids 6, Corrigan 7, Wright 6, Houghton 7, Quinn 7, Urquhart 6.
Northampton: Poole 7, Walker 5, Sandercock 7, Byatt 7, Waldock 7 (sub. Sandy 6), Farrington 6, Denyer 6, Saunders 6, Farmer 5, McCaffrey 5, ★**O'DONOGHUE 8**.
Referee: M. Peck (Doncaster)
Match Rating: ★★

PORTSMOUTH (1) 3 (Brisley 29, Garwood 58, Laidlaw 69)
HALIFAX (0) 1 (Firth 73)
 Att: 14,087
Portsmouth: Mellor 6, Ellis 8, Viney 6, Brisley 7, Aizlewood 8, Davey 7, ★**GARWOOD 9**, Laidlaw 8, Hemmerman 7, Bryant 7, Rogers 6.
Halifax: ★**KILNER 8**, Dunleavy 7, Hutt 6, Evans 7, Harris 6, Goodman 5 (sub. Dryhurst 5), Firth 7, Kennedy 5, Burke 5, Smith 6, Stafford 5.
Referee: C. A. Maskell (Cambridge)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

NEWPORT (1) 4 (Lowndes 42, 77, Oakes 62, Relish 64)
DARLINGTON (0) 0
 Att: 4,127
Newport: Dowler 7, Walden 6, Relish 7, Burton, D 6, Oakes 8, Bailey 6, Vaughan 7, ★**LOWNDES 9**, Tynan 7, Aldridge 8 (sub. Burton, M), Warriner 7.
Darlington: Owers 6, Nattrass 5, Cochrane 5, Ball 7, Craig 6, Smith 5, ★**McLEAN 8**, Charlton 6, Stalker 7, Taylor 5 (sub. Walsh 5), Ellis 6.
Referee: D. Lloyd (Fernhill Heath)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

HUDDERSFIELD (0) 0
HEREFORD (1) 1 (White 18)
 Att: 5,582
Huddersfield: Starling 5, ★**BROWN 8**, Robinson 6, Stanton 6, Sutton 6, Hanvey 6 (sub. Purdie 7), Laverick 6, Hart 7, Fletcher 5, Robins 5, Cowling 6.
Hereford: Hughes 7, Price 7, Burrows 7, Marshall 8, ★**LAYTON 9**, Feeley 7, Cunningham 8, Spiring 7, McGrellis 6, Phillips 6, White 8.
Referee: G. Courtney (Spennymoor)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

DONCASTER (1) 1 (Nimmo 11)
ALDRSHOT (1) 1 (Needham 31)
 Att: 6,210
Doncaster: Peacock 7, Russell 7, ★**SNODIN 8**, Lister 6, Lally 5, Bradley 7, Pugh 5, Nimmo 7, Warboys

6, Lewis 6, Bentley 6.
Aldershot: Johnson 7, Scott 7, Wooler 6, ★**DIXON 8**, Jopling 7, Bennett 7, Crosby 7, Brodie 6, French 7, Needham 7, McGregor 7.
Referee: M. J. Heath (Stoke)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

BRADFORD CITY (0) 0
WALSALL (1) 1 (Paul 36)
 Att: 5,824
Bradford City: Smith 7, Podd 7, ★**WATSON 8**, Wood 7, Baines 6, Cooper 6, Martinez 6, Dolan 5, Stanniforth 6, McNiven 7, Hutchins 6.
Walsall: Green 6, Macken 6, Caswell 7, ★**SBRAGIA 8**, Serella 7, Paul 6, Penn 6, Waddington 7 (sub. Williams), McDonough 6, Buckley 7, Broadhurst 6.
Referee: J. Worrall (Warrington)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

BOURNEMOUTH (0) 0
PETERBOROUGH (0) 0
 Att: 3,234
Bournemouth: Allen 7, Cunningham 7, Ferns 7, Impey 7, Townsend 6, Chambers 6, ★**HOLDER 8**, MacDougall 6, Butler 7, Evanson 7, Miller 6.
Peterborough: Waugh 7, Carmichael 7, Phillips 6, Sharkey 6, Slough 7, Foster 6, Quow 6, Kellock 7, ★**CLISS 8**, Parkinson 6, Syrett 7.
Referee: P. V. Reeves (Uxbridge)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

SCOTTISH

League Cup Semi-Final

ABERDEEN (2) 2 (McGhee 14, Strachan, pen 44)
MORTON (0) 1 (Ritchie, pen 82)
 Att: 11,896 (at Hampden Park)
Aberdeen: Clark 7, Kennedy 7, Rougvie 6, McLeish 7, Garner 6, Miller 7, Strachan 7, Archibald 7, ★**McGHEE 8**, McMaster 6, Scanlon 7.
Morton: Baines 6, Hayes 6, Holmes 6, Anderson 6, McLaughlin 7, ★**ORR 8**, McNeil 6 (sub. Tolmie 5), Miller 6 (sub. Scott 5), Thomson 6, Hutchison 7, Ritchie 7.
Referee: A. W. Waddell (Penicuik)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

Premier Division

HIBERNIAN (2) 2 (MacLeod, pen 10, Whittaker, og 34)
PARTICK THISTLE (0) 1 (O'Hara 71)
 Att: 20,622
Hibs: McArthur 7, Brazil 5, Duncan 6, Rae 5, Paterson 6, McNamara 6, Callachan 7, MacLeod 7, Hutchinson 7, Higgins 5 (sub. Murray 6), ★**BEST 8**.
Partick: ★**ROUGH 7**, MacKinnon 5 (sub. Melrose 5), Whittaker 6, Campbell 6, Anderson 6, O'Hara 6, Park 6, Doyle 5, Jardine 5, McAdam 5, MacDonald 5.
Referee: A. McGunnigle (Glasgow)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

RANGERS (1) 2 (Johnstone 10, Russell 46)
KILMARNOCK (1) 1 (Houston 34)
 Att: 15,000
Rangers: McCloy 6, Jarvie 7, Dawson 6, Forsyth, T 6, Jackson 6, Stevens 6, McLean 6, ★**RUSSELL 8**, Johnstone 7, MacDonald 7, McDonald 6.
Kilmarnock: McCulloch 6, Cockburn 6, Robertson 6, Clark 6, Clarke 6, ★**McDICKEN 7**, Gibson 5, Maxwell 6, Cairney 5 (sub. Bourke 7), Mauchlen 6, Houston 5 (sub. Street 5).
Referee: A. R. Valentine (Dundee)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

ST MIRREN (1) 2 (Somner, pen 4, McDougall 55)
CELTIC (0) 1 (McDonald 77)
 Att: 15,000
St Mirren: Thomson 7, Young 7, Munro 7, Richardson 8, Fulton 8, Copland 7, Bone 7, Stark 7, ★**SOMNER 9**, Weir 8, McDougall 7.
Celtic: Latchford 6, Sneddon 5, McGrain 6, Aitken 6, McAdam 5,

MacLeod 6, ★**PROVAN 8**, Sullivan 6, Edvaldsson 6, Conroy 5 (sub. McDonald 6), McCluskey 6 (sub. Lennox 6).
Referee: G. B. Smith (Edinburgh)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

Division One

AYR (2) 3 (McSherry 23, Frye 44, Connor, pen 66)
RAITH (0) 0
 Att: 2,756

ARBROATH (0) 1 (Kidd 50)
BERWICK (0) 1 (Tait 76)
 Att: 953

CLYDE (1) 2 (Hood 30, McCabe 52)
HEARTS (0) 2 (Fraser 50, O'Connor 56)
 Att: 1,500

DUMBARTON (1) 1 (Gallagher, B, pen 41)
MOTHERWELL (0) 1 (McLaughlin, pen 52)
 Att: 2,300

DUNFERMLINE (0) 1 (Bowie 62)
AIRDRIE (0) 0
 Att: 3,500

HAMILTON (0) 1 (McGrogan 77)
STIRLING (1) 1 (Kennedy 35)
 Att: 1,200

ST JOHNSTONE (0) 0
CLYDEBANK (0) 1 (Miller 80)
 Att: 2,163

Division Two

ALLOA (0) 0
FORFAR (1) 3 (Mitchell 28, Rae 57, Farmingham 65)
 Att: 570

BRECHIN (3) 3 (Campbell, R 16, Henderson 17, Campbell, I, pen 30)
QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (0) 0
 Att: 400

EAST FIFE (0) 1 (Scott 50)
MONTROSE (1) 1 (Taylor 25)
 Att: 649

FALKIRK (1) 2 (Leetion, P 39, 59)
MEADOWBANK (0) 2 (Downie 63, Leetion, M 72)
 Att: 980

STENHOUSEMUIR (1) 1 (Murray 7)
ALBION (2) 3 (Coyle 11, Franchetti pen 37, Campbell 79)
 Att: 400

STRANRAER (1) 1 (McCutcheon 40)
EAST STIRLING (1) 2 (Blair 16, Grant, pen 33)
 Att: 480



Gordon Strachan's penalty a minute before half-time booked Aberdeen's place in the Scottish League Cup final. They beat Morton 2-1 in the semi-final tie at Hampden Park.

BALL WINNERS

THE five lucky winners of Candus leather footballs in our Crossword No. 10 (November 15 issue) were:

Michael Green, 9 Darrell Way, Abingdon, Oxon;
Sean Sewry, 13 The Gardens, Southwick, Sussex;
Robert Trott, 17 Booth Ave., Colchester, Essex;
Ian Brandwood, 7 Crabtree Crescent, Sheffield,
Yorkshire; Simon Kempster, 24 Bedgrove,
Aylesbury, Bucks.

The correct answers were:

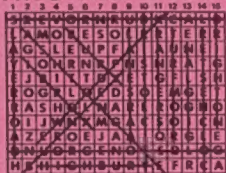
ACROSS: 1. Tony Godden 7. (Bob) Latchford
9. (Brian) Kidd 10. Orient 11. (Terry) Yorath 14.
(Bill) Green 15. (Tom) Finney 18. (John) Shaw 20.
Points 23. (Bobby) Moore 25. Kennedy 27. (Peter)
Reid 28. Emlyn Hughes.

DOWN: (Brian) Talbot 2. Nottingham 3. Off 4.
Derby 5. (Trevor) Tainton 6. (Colin) Todd 8.
(Alan) Hansen 12. Offside 13. Snipe 16. Net 17.
(Roger) Osborne 19. (George) Wood 22. Bayern
24. Raith 25. (Andy) King 26. None.

Private eyes:

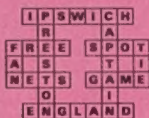
The eyes belong to (a) Gary Owen, (b)
Trevor Brooking.

SCOUTING TRIP SOLUTION



Did you get the grounds? They were Highbury
(Arsenal), Ewood Park (Blackburn), Goldstone
Road (Brighton), Ashton Gate (Bristol City),
Turf Moor (Burnley), Gigg Lane (Bury), Layer
Road (Colchester), Ibrox (Rangers).

ONE-WAY SYSTEM SOLUTION



QUIZ No. 12 ANSWERS

1. Andy Ritchie
2. Paraguay
3. Ted McDougall
4. Eddie Firmani
5. Billy O'Rourke of
Burnley
6. Tom Finney
7. a) Barnsley.
8. Sheffield Wednesday.
9. Gerd Muller
10. Terry Venables
11. Antonio Rattin
12. Southport
13. a) Ritchie Morgan.
14. John Charles
15. Ross Jenkins
16. Burton Albion
17. Bayern Munich
18. Vava of Brazil in
1958 & 1962
19. Ferenc Puskas
20. Manchester United
& Newcastle

It's a FACT

BELIEVE it or not, but it's a fact that St.
Johnstone are the only club among the 38
in the Scottish League and 92 in the
Football League whose name contains the
letter 'j'. Check it over and you'll see that's
true.



Peter Osgood

In one 10-year spell with Chelsea former
England centre-forward Peter Osgood
figured in six final ties of different
competitions and scored in every one! This
included the F.A. Cup, Football League
Cup, European Cup Winners' Cup, and
European Youth Championship.



It's a million to one against Norwich City
and ex-Port Vale, Gillingham, and
Bournemouth defender Mel Machin ever
repeating the experience he struck in
season 1974-75. His Football League goals
for the 'Canaries' in that campaign totalled
just three, but they sufficed to give him a
hat-trick - in an away game against
Forest on October 12!

John Bond managed clubs in all four
Football League Divisions in under five
years from the start of his career in the
life! Made manager of Bournemouth in
May, 1970, when they were in Division
Four, he led them to promotion in his first
season, and was with them in the Third
before his move to Norwich City (First and
Second in 1973-74 and 1974-75).



Ian Callaghan

With Liverpool in season 1973-74 Ian
Callaghan (now at Swansea) figured in all
42 Division One matches and never got a
goal, yet he actually hit a hat-trick in a
League Cup fourth round home replay
against Hull City!



Bolton headmaster Alan Porter must
wonder if he is the only referee on the
Football League's list of around 80, 90 who
is an international referee at another sport.
During the last few years he has acted as
referee at over 20 international matches...
at table tennis.



Goalkeeper Bob Anderson, who was
with Bristol Rovers when they won Third
Division promotion in 1953 and Bristol City
when they did so in 1955, ranks as the only
player since the war to have been with
two clubs in the same city when both
were promoted from the same division.



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